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For the purpose of calling for a multi-agency and citywide taskforce to provide coordinating opportunities for addressing sex trafficking and complete a strategic plan for addressing human

trafficking and the curtailing of trafficking.

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Introductory*

City of Baltimore
Council Bill R
(Resolution)

Introduced by: Councilmember Burnett

A Resolution Entitled

A Council Resolution concerning

Human Trafficking Taskforce

For the purpose of calling for a multi-agency and citywide taskforce to provide coordinating opportunities for addressing sex trafficking and complete a strategic plan for addressing human trafficking and the curtailing of trafficking.

Recitals

Human trafficking remains a serious problem worldwide and right here in Baltimore. A law enforcement only approach to the problem is limited and unlikely to be fully effective in eradicating this practice.

Instead, human trafficking requires a more holistic, multifaceted approach that provides support for victims

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as well as action against traffickers and those who would profit from them. Implementing this kind of approach here in Baltimore will require coordination and planning among many City agencies and community stakeholders.

A multi-agency and citywide taskforce to provide coordinating opportunities for addressing sex trafficking should be established. Within 12 months, the taskforce should complete a strategic plan for addressing human trafficking and the curtailing of trafficking. This plan, at minimum, should include training, outreach, service identification from both the government and nonprofit sectors, and demographics.

Taskforce members should include representatives from:

- · the Baltimore Police Department;
- · the Mayor's Office;
- · Baltimore Housing;
- the Health Department;
- · the City Council;
- · Community Stakeholders;
- · Victims of Trafficking;
- · Social Services;
- the Department of Transportation;
- · Other advocacy organizations; and
- · the States Attorney's Office.

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the City Council of Baltimore, That the Council calls for a multiagency and citywide taskforce to provide coordinating opportunities for addressing sex trafficking and complete a strategic plan for addressing human trafficking and the curtailing of trafficking.

And be it further resolved, That a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Mayor, the Police Commissioner, the Acting Housing Commissioner, the Health Commissioner, the Director of Transportation, the State's Attorney for Baltimore City, and the Mayor's Legislative Liaison to the City Council.