PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Human trafficking is a global plague that impacts millions of people each year, including tens of thousands of Americans; and,

WHEREAS, The United States ranks as one of the worst countries globally for human trafficking, with Arizona ranks in the top 15 states with the highest rates of human trafficking per capita; and,

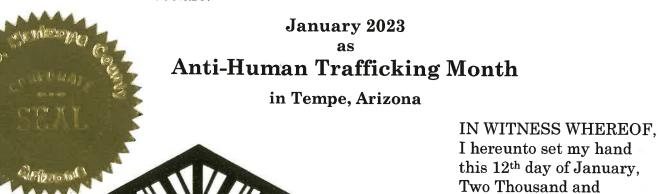
WHEREAS, Human trafficking impacts people across all demographics and ages, including teenagers and children; and,

WHEREAS, The battle against human trafficking includes supporting efforts in schools, churches, non-profits, law enforcement, and businesses to prevent human trafficking, intervene, disrupt, and dismantle human trafficking syndicates, and provide resources and support for victims and human trafficking; and,

WHEREAS, The City of Tempe joins schools, churches, non-profit organizations, law enforcement, federal and state coalitions and the Not In Our City.org movement in our commitment to increase public awareness of the human trafficking epidemic that impacts our community, state, nation, and world; and,

WHEREAS, The City of Tempe urges all residents to work together to eliminate human trafficking from our community and support the efforts of front-line organizations and enforcement in their battle against human trafficking and to take a stand and say "Not In Our City".

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Corey Woods, Mayor of the City of Tempe, Arizona, do hereby declare:



Corey D. Woods

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