

1 A MEMORIAL

2 REQUESTING THE CRIME VICTIMS REPARATION COMMISSION, THE
3 OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, THE NEW MEXICO HUMAN
4 TRAFFICKING TASK FORCE, THE NEW MEXICO TRIBAL TASK FORCE ON
5 HUMAN TRAFFICKING OF THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, THE
6 LIFE LINK AND OTHER ENTITIES THAT SERVE VICTIMS OF TRAUMA TO
7 IDENTIFY STRATEGIES AND POLICIES TO COORDINATE RESOURCES,
8 SERVICES AND HOUSING FOR VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING.

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10 WHEREAS, victims of human trafficking face extreme
11 danger when they escape or are rescued from their
12 traffickers; and

13 WHEREAS, an escaped victim of human trafficking has
14 immediate needs, including sustenance, shelter,
15 transportation and medical services; and

16 WHEREAS, current work to support victims of human
17 trafficking is being undertaken, in collaboration with the
18 United States department of justice, by a task force convened
19 jointly by the office of the attorney general and the life
20 link and by the New Mexico tribal task force on human
21 trafficking; and

22 WHEREAS, additionally, Santa Fe and Bernalillo counties
23 are developing long-range plans to provide shelter and
24 housing and other services for victims of human trafficking;
25 and

1 WHEREAS, because of the complexity of many trafficking
2 victims' experiences, the successful treatment of victims of
3 human trafficking often includes delivery of services with a
4 high level of clinical sophistication; and

5 WHEREAS, providing housing resources and trauma services
6 to victims of human trafficking is a vital and necessary
7 goal; and

8 WHEREAS, providing emergency resources, which is
9 critical to stabilization of victims and leads to successful
10 prosecution of traffickers, is the result of the combined
11 work of law enforcement, prosecutors and service providers;

12 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE
13 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the crime victims reparation
14 commission be requested to convene a meeting or meetings to
15 facilitate collaboration with the office of the attorney
16 general, the New Mexico human trafficking task force, the
17 life link, the New Mexico tribal task force on human
18 trafficking and a representative of stakeholders that receive
19 state funding for serving or working on issues related to
20 human trafficking victims for the purpose of collecting
21 information on current activities to serve human trafficking
22 victims and developing strategies, priorities and policies to
23 fulfill and improve services for victims of human trafficking
24 throughout the state; and

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the entities above be

1 requested to identify gaps in the availability and delivery
2 of services to victims of human trafficking, as well as
3 housing, advocacy and policy issues affecting Native American
4 and immigrant populations; and

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the entities listed be
6 requested to present to the legislative health and human
7 services committee and the appropriate legislative interim
8 committee dealing with courts, corrections and justice issues
9 a report on the progress of their work on or before
10 December 1, 2018 and present a final report on their work,
11 including any proposed legislation, on or before
12 December 1, 2019; and

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
14 transmitted to the crime victims reparation commission, the
15 attorney general, the New Mexico human trafficking task force,
16 the life link, the New Mexico tribal task force on human
17 trafficking and the co-chairs of the New Mexico legislative
18 council.

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