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The Honorable John Cornyn  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Amy Klobuchar  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Cornyn and Senator Klobuchar,

I'm writing on behalf of the Major Cities Chiefs Association (MCCA) to register our support for S. 3946, the *Abolish Human Trafficking Reauthorization of 2022*. The MCCA is a professional organization of law enforcement executives representing the largest cities in the United States and Canada.

Human trafficking remains a serious threat to our communities. According to the Bureau of Justice Statistics' latest Human Trafficking Data Collection, 2,198 individuals were referred to U.S. Attorneys for human trafficking-related offenses in FY 2020, a 62% increase from the number of referrals made in 2011.<sup>1</sup>

The MCCA's members remain steadfast in their commitment to eliminating the scourge of human trafficking. The *Abolish Human Trafficking Reauthorization Act of 2022* will support these efforts by reauthorizing several critical anti-human trafficking programs. For example, this legislation will give law enforcement additional tools and provide law enforcement with additional training to combat human trafficking. It also will increase the resources and services available for survivors. Finally, this bill will bolster critical prevention efforts focused on stopping these heinous crimes from occurring.

Thank you for your leadership and your continued support of law enforcement. Please do not hesitate to contact me if the MCCA can be of additional assistance.

Sincerely,

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Chief, Dallas Police Department  
President, Major Cities Chiefs Association

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<sup>1</sup> "Human Trafficking Data Collection Activities," *Bureau of Justice Statistics, U.S. Department of Justice*, October 2022. <<https://bjs.ojp.gov/library/publications/human-trafficking-data-collection-activities-2022>>