## PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT



## OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

March 4, 2024

The Honorable Jolene Ivey Chair Prince George's County Council Wayne K. Curry County Administration Building 1301 McCormick Drive Largo, Maryland 20774

Dear Chair Ivey:

Enclosed for the Prince George's County Council's consideration is the Prince George's County Human Trafficking Task Force's ("PGHTTF") proposal to revise the County's Labor and Purchasing Codes to combat labor and sex trafficking in Prince George's County. Specifically, this proposed legislation would prohibit County contractors and subcontractors from engaging in labor and sex trafficking. It would also provide procedures for the Office of Human Rights' to investigate complaints of labor and sex trafficking filed against County contractors, and provide mechanisms, including contractual remedies and suspension and debarment, for the Office of Central Services to enforce compliance.

The purpose of this proposal is to prevent County taxpayer dollars from contributing to sex and labor trafficking through County procurement. The Federal Government prohibits its contractors and subcontractors from engaging in sex and labor trafficking and utilizes contractual remedies and other enforcement tools to combat trafficking. This legislation would make Prince George's County a leader among state and local governments to combat trafficking through procurement laws.

The Council's favorable consideration of this legislation is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

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**Enclosures**