



# Proclamation

## Human Trafficking Awareness Month

January 2026

**Whereas**, human trafficking exploits millions of men, women, and children through force, fraud, or coercion, including sex trafficking and forced labor; and

**Whereas**, January is recognized nationally as Human Trafficking Awareness Month to educate the public, promote prevention efforts, and support survivors; and

**Whereas**, human trafficking disproportionately impacts vulnerable populations, including minors, and occurs in communities across the country, including cities like ours; and

**Whereas**, raising awareness is essential to recognizing the signs of trafficking, protecting victims, and holding perpetrators accountable; and

**Whereas**, our community is committed to promoting human dignity, public safety, and collaboration among law enforcement, service providers, and community organizations like STOP Human Trafficking and PREVAIL, to combat human trafficking; and

**Now, Therefore**, I, Gary Singh, Mayor of the City of Manteca, on behalf of City Council, do hereby proclaim January 2026, as National Human Trafficking Awareness Month in the City of Manteca and encourage all residents to learn about the realities of trafficking, support victims, and take action to help end human trafficking.

**DATE:** January 6, 2026

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Mayor Gary Singh