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Lieutenant William Hare, Project STAR, Jefferson Parish Sheriff's Office

Lieutenant William Hare has been in law enforcement for over 28 years, beginning with the NOPD in 1984. In 1995 he was hired by the Jefferson Parish Sheriff's Office and in 2002 was transferred to the Vice Squad as a detective. Lt. Hare has been involved with over 2,000 prostitution cases while in the Vice Squad — from street prostitution and internet prostitution to escort service investigations — and has received extensive training on the pimp and prostitute subculture known as "The Game". In September 2009, he was assigned to the Louisiana Human Trafficking Task Force and is one of only two law enforcement officers for the State of Louisiana that investigates crimes of human trafficking. Lt. Hare works in close cooperation with federal authorities and local NGOs on human trafficking cases and, just recently, was invited to the Louisiana Legislature to speak in support of changes to Louisiana's human trafficking laws. Lt. Hare has taught about vice crimes at the Jefferson Parish Sheriff's Office Academy to the newly hired recruits and has presented this lecture to local and federal authorities in the New Orleans area.

Hiroko Kusuda, Loyola Law Clinic and Center for Social Justice, Loyola University New Orleans

Hiroko Kusuda is Assistant Clinic Professor of the Immigration Law Section of Loyola Law Clinic and Center for Social Justice at Loyola University New Orleans. She trains clinic student attorneys to gain essential litigation and advocacy skills in the representation of non-citizens before the U.S. Department of Justice Immigration Courts, the Board of Immigration Appeals, and federal and state courts. Prior to joining the Loyola University faculty, Professor Kusuda was a Detention Attorney with the Catholic Legal Immigration Network, Inc. (CLINIC) where she directed a state-wide detention project which included the representation of detained immigrants, "Know Your Rights" programs for detainees, and administrative advocacy with the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement ("ICE") and other governmental agencies. She and her students continue to present monthly "Know Your Rights" programs at Tensas Parish Detention Center. Professor Kusuda is a member of Louisiana State Bar Association and American Immigration Lawyers Association ("AILA") and has served on the Executive Board of AILA Midsouth Chapter since 2000. She is also the AILA-ICE Liaison on immigration enforcement issues. Professor Kusuda is a graduate of Tsuda College in Tokyo, Japan and Tulane University School of Law where she was a member of the Public Interest Law Foundation and Tulane Journal of International and Comparative Law.

Honorable Jim Letten, United States Attorney, Eastern District of Louisiana

The Honorable Jim Letten has served for nearly thirty years as a federal prosecutor, beginning with the U. S. Department of Justice Organized Crime and Racketeering Strike Force, and is currently the longest-serving U.S. Attorney in the United States. He is a native of New Orleans, graduating from the University of New Orleans in 1976 and Tulane Law School in 1979. Immediately after passing the Bar, Mr. Letten served as an Assistant District Attorney of New Orleans, working side by side with Leon Cannizzaro, the current District Attorney of New Orleans. Mr. Letten also served for twenty years as a United States Naval Reserve Intelligence Officer, spending thirteen of those years as a fully credentialed NCIS Agent, and retiring as a Commander. During his long career as a federal prosecutor, Mr. Letten has served as Strike Force Chief and First Assistant. As First Assistant he was the lead prosecutor in the investigation, prosecution, and successful conviction of former Louisiana Governor Edwin Edwards. Currently, Mr. Letten is Chair of Attorney General Eric Holder's Subcommittee on Violent and Organized Crime and serves on the Terrorism/National Security and Environmental Issues Working Group Subcommittees. The recipient of many awards, Mr. Letten received the 2010 Anti-Defamation League's Torch of Liberty Award for his leadership and contributions to counteracting bigotry and advancing civil rights; the Martin Luther King, Jr. special award from Louisiana Rescue Mission Fellowship; the 2010 Citizen of the Year award from the Southeast Louisiana Boy Scout Council; and was recently inducted into the Louisiana Justice Hall of Fame.

Agent Amanda Smith, Department of Homeland Security

Amanda Smith is a Special Agent with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security/Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) in the Homeland Security Investigations unit (HSI). She has been with HSI in the New Orleans office for six years and in her capacity as a Special Agent, Agent Smith conducts criminal investigations related to customs and immigration violations. She is currently assigned to the Worksite Enforcement and Human Trafficking Group.

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Speakers

Honorable Neil C. Abramson, State Representative, District 98

The Honorable Neil Abramson won 74% of the vote in his first run for public office for District 98 in 2007. In 2011 he was re-elected with 74% of the vote. His district encompasses Uptown and Broadmoor. In the Louisiana Legislature he is currently or has served on the following committees: Civil Law and Procedure, Chairman; La. Hurricane Recovery Committee, first chairperson of the committee; Health & Welfare, former member; Judiciary, former member; Legislative Audit Advisory Council, former member; and Hurricane Katrina Memorial Committee, former member. In the last legislative session Rep. Abramson lead the effort to pass legislation which creates the crime of sexual trafficking of children in Louisiana with harsh penalties attached, strengthens criminal laws against criminals who commit trafficking, and provides protection to the victims of trafficking, including allowing child victims to qualify for family need and protective services. Representative Abramson has received the following awards: Alliance for Good Government, Legislator of the Year, 2009; New Orleans City Business, Leadership in Law Award, 2009; New Orleans Magazine, People to Watch, 2008. He received a B.A. from Dartmouth College and graduated first in class at LSU Law School where he served as editor-in-chief of the Louisiana Law Review. He is a partner in the law firm of Liskow & Lewis.

Holly Burkhalter, International Justice Mission

Holly Burkhalter serves as Vice President of Government Relations for International Justice Mission (IJM). Before joining IJM, Ms. Burkhalter served as the U.S. Policy Director of Physicians for Human Rights and previously as the Advocacy Director and Washington Office Director for Human Rights Watch. Ms. Burkhalter has been published numerous times in national media outlets on human rights issues and has testified before Congress. In June 2012, she testified before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee on models to end slavery worldwide. Ms. Burkhalter often speaks to groups on how individuals can — and should — be involved in the fight to end slavery, once and for all.

Alliece Cole, Healing Place Church

After serving over 20 years with Child Protection Services as a Crisis Investigator and with Adoptive Services as a state-wide trainer, Alliece Cole left her job and moved to Missouri to work with women leaving the sex industry. In 2006, in the wake of the devastation of Katrina, Ms. Cole returned to southern Louisiana and became the Outreach Coordinator for Healing Place Church. In 2009 she took on a new role, overseeing a federally-funded grant designed to identify and rescue victims of human trafficking. Alliece Cole also coordinated the Human Trafficking Rescue and Restore Coalition of Southern Louisiana. The collation focuses on the I-10 corridor stretch between Baton Rouge and New Orleans; an area long-suspected of being a preferred route for traffickers. Alliece Cole has provided training at conferences for law enforcement, churches, government agencies and organizations that wish to learn more about the atrocities of Human Trafficking. Her heart is to equip and empower groups and individuals to make a difference in somebody's life.

Deena Graves, Traffick911

Deena Graves is the founder and executive director of Traffick911. Traffick911 is driven to stop the buying and selling of American children into sexual slavery. Domestic minor sex trafficking is a crime of epidemic proportion in our country, according to the Department of Justice, and Traffick911 is actively rescuing children in the North Texas area from this horrendous crime, as well as doing work that is resulting in felony arrests. Traffick911 has numerous programs to prevent, rescue and restore victims of this crime. Deena Graves will discuss Traffick911's work during the Dallas Super Bowl, including best practices and lessons learned.

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Welcome and Introduction

Welcome to Preventing Human Trafficking at the Super Bowl and Beyond: A Conference to Mobilize the New Orleans Community to Prevent and End Trafficking in Our Midst.

The Conference Steering Committee has worked hard to provide conference participants a thorough introduction to the issue of human trafficking and what we can do as a community to prevent this modern day form of slavery from occurring during the 2013 Super Bowl and going forward.

The conference has three goals:

- Raise awareness/consciousness that leads to action about human trafficking taking place in our community and around the world;
- Provide opportunities for volunteers to become involved in organizations working to end human trafficking during the Super Bowl and beyond;
- Increase conversation and coordination between the various sectors working to end human trafficking in the New Orleans community (law enforcement, survivors, elected officials, service providers, faith communities, students, community members, researchers, etc.).

We are grateful to our speakers today who will help us to recognize human trafficking in our midst, understand the law enforcement and policy tools that can prevent human trafficking, and develop the kind of coordinated community outreach to prevent human trafficking during the Super Bowl that can lead to a strong foundation for future outreach and prevention efforts. Organizations working to prevent and end human trafficking in the New Orleans area have set up displays at tables around the perimeter of the St. Charles room. Please take the time to visit with these dedicated providers to learn about their work and how you can become involved in the struggle to end trafficking in persons. Due to time limitations and the urgency of the upcoming Super Bowl, the focus of today's conference is sex trafficking, which victimizes mainly women and children. It is hoped that future local conferences will address other aspects of human trafficking, such as labor trafficking and best practices in providing social, medical, and legal services to survivors of human trafficking.

Thank you for your participation. We hope what you learn today will inspire you to join the fight against human trafficking, which President Obama has called "one of the greatest human rights causes of our time."

Sr. Jane Remson, O.Carm., Carmelite NGO and Dr. Sue Weishar, Jesuit Social Research Institute, Conference Co-Chairs

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Wednesday, October 24, 2012

6:30 P.M. **Keynote Address** — *Holly Burkhalter, International Justice Mission*

7:30 P.M. Screening of the award-winning documentary *Not My Life*

Saturday, October 27, 2012

8:30 A.M. Registration

9:00 A.M. The Game—Domestic Sex Trafficking

Lt. William Hare, Project Star, Jefferson Parish Sheriff's Office

In this presentation, Lt. William Hare explains "The Game" (the pimp and prostitute subculture) terminology, the rules of "The Game", and how "The Game" can be seen and heard in our everyday life. A key characteristic of human trafficking is the use of force, fraud, or coercion. Lt. Hare will argue that a prostitute under the control of a pimp is the victim of human trafficking.

NOTE: Due to the nature of this presentation, it may contain language and material that some attendees may find offensive.

10:00 A.M. Child Sex Trafficking in U.S. and Louisiana

Alliece Cole, Healing Place Church

Alliece Cole is a Rescue & Restore Victims of Human Trafficking trainer and the former coordinator of the Human Trafficking Coalition of Southern Louisiana. In this presentation she will define and describe Domestic Minor Sex Trafficking (DMST), explain how children become victims of this horrendous crime, and discuss the prevalence of DMST in Louisiana and the U.S.. She will then suggest ways that communities can prevent and end the trafficking of children.

11:00 A.M. *Break*

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11:15 A.M. **Break-out Sessions**

12:00 P.M. *Lunch*

1:00 P.M. Preparing for the Super Bowl: Lessons Learned from Dallas

Deena Graves, Traffick911

Large sporting events like the Super Bowl are magnets for sex trafficking. Traffic911 helped to develop a coordinated community response to preventing the trafficking of children at the 2011 Dallas Super Bowl. Traffick911 founder and executive director Deena Graves will discuss how the Dallas community came together to prevent human trafficking at the Dallas Super Bowl, lessons learned, and the essential elements of an effective community strategy to prevent and end human trafficking after the Super Bowl

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2:00 P.M. Law Enforcement Tools to Combat Human Trafficking

- Hon. Jim Letten, U.S. Attorney Eastern District of Louisiana
- Rep. Neil C. Abramson, State Representative, District 98
- Hiroko Kusuda, Loyola University New Orleans College of Law
- Agent Amanda Smith, Department of Homeland Security

Speakers will describe law enforcement and policy tools to combat human trafficking.

3:00 P.M. *Break*

3:15 P.M. **Break-out Sessions**

3:45 P.M. How to Get Involved: Local Agencies Describe Volunteer Opportunities

Representatives from several local non-profit organizations working with survivors of human trafficking will describe their respective organization's work and how volunteers can assist their efforts.

Provider table displays and opportunities for engagement will be available throughout the day.

Human Trafficking defined...

Human trafficking, also known as trafficking in persons (TIP), is a modern-day form of slavery. It is a crime under federal and international law and illegal in Louisiana and almost every state in the U.S.

Federal Anti-Trafficking Laws

The Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA), passed in 2000, was the first comprehensive federal law to address human trafficking or TIP. The law provides a three-pronged approach including prevention, protection, and prosecution and was reauthorized through the Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act (TVPRA) in 2003, 2005, and 2008. Under U.S. federal law, "severe forms of trafficking in persons" include:



Sex trafficking is the recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision, or obtaining of a person for the purposes of a commercial sex act, in which the commercial sex act is induced by force, fraud, or coercion, or in which the person induced to perform such an act has not attained 18 years of age, (22 USC § 7102; 8 CFR § 214.11(a)).

Labor trafficking is the recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision, or obtaining of a person for labor or services, through the use of force, fraud, or coercion for the purposes of subjection to involuntary servitude, peonage, debt bondage, or slavery, (22 USC § 7102).

