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Weekly Radio Address: Fighting Human Trafficking

Madison... Representative Joel Kleefisch (R-Oconomowoc) released the Weekly Radio Address on behalf of Wisconsin State Republicans.

Hi, I'm state Representative Joel Kleefisch from Oconomowoc.

Human trafficking is a modern form of slavery and it's a growing problem across Wisconsin in urban and rural areas.

Perpetrators prey mainly on women, a significant number of them are children. This legislative session I'm proud that Republicans have lead the efforts to combat the growing crisis of human trafficking.

Together with my Democratic colleagues, we created a package of bills that will hopefully make a difference.

We are giving authorities more tools to track down and arrest the human traffickers and rescue the victims.

By improving the critical tool that was created through Alicia's Law, authorities can now use administrative subpoenas for human trafficking crimes. And these subpoenas can be used for hotels where often these incidents occur.

We have also increased the penalties in cases of sex trafficking involving adults and minors. It's essential that we do all that we can to hold these perpetrators accountable.

For survivors of human trafficking, domestic abuse and stalking, we improved our successful Safe at Home law, which protects victim's addresses.

Survivors deserve this additional protection so they can enjoy safe and productive lives without fear.

While we have made progress in the fight against human trafficking, we continue to need your help. If you see something suspicious, know someone who is a victim or need assistance yourself, call the National Human Trafficking Hotline at 1-888-373-7888 or text help to BEFREE.

<http://legis.wisconsin.gov/eupdates/asm63/Radio.Address.Kleefisch.May.10.mp3>

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