



NORTH DAKOTA

Family Alliance LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Testimony in Support of House Bill 1003

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Chairman Wanzek and honorable members of the Government Operations Division of the Appropriations Committee,

North Dakota Family Alliance Legislative Action would like to testify in support of House Bill 1003 and respectfully request that you would approve the increase to the appropriation for the Human Trafficking Victims Grants fund.

We strongly believe that victims of human trafficking in our state need as much help as we can possibly give them, and that help could be increased with additional funding. With this additional money, the organizations that benefit from this would be able to increase their efforts with education and outreach to victims, community members, and even law enforcement across our state. Without the education these essential organizations offer, victims can go unnoticed, or not even understand that they are victims themselves.

We believe that an increase to this fund is an increase in effectiveness and a step closer to eradicating the issue of human trafficking in North Dakota. For these reasons, we respectfully request that you approve the increase to the Human Trafficking Victims Grants fund.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this testimony, and feel free to contact us if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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