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## **Representative O'Connor Appointed as Chair of the Assembly Speaker's Human Trafficking Task Force**

**MADISON... Assembly Representative Jerry O'Connor (R-Fond du Lac) released the following statement in response to being named Chair of the Speaker's Human Trafficking Task Force:**

**Assembly Speaker Robin Vos' office released this announcement today, "The task force's goal is to create a society where the safety and well-being of every person are paramount and where exploitation has no place. The task force will explore innovative solutions to combat human trafficking through prevention, supporting and empowering survivors, and prosecuting traffickers.**

**Representative Jerry O'Connor (R-Fond du Lac), chair, and Representative Jodi Emerson (D-Eau Claire), vice-chair, will lead the task force on human trafficking."**

**Representative O'Connor commented, "Most of us are not aware of the level of human trafficking here in Wisconsin. However, this is a real problem affecting many hundreds of victims through the pathways of human trafficking, primarily in the areas of sex and labor exploitation.**

**If you have not done so, take an opportunity to see the movie, The Sound of Freedom. This movie is tastefully done but makes clearly visible the tragedy that is experienced in the child sex trafficking industry. It will make you want to know that your government is committed to eliminating this activity from our society. That will be the motivation for our Task Force.**

**If you have information that would be helpful to our activities, please forward them to my office."**

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