Sample Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Your recent article, [name of article], discussing the issue of [labor/sex trafficking / supply chain transparency] expertly highlighted the existence of trafficking and human exploitation in our [community/country]. I found this piece particularly timely as January is the National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month. Our [country/community] has a proud history of addressing human trafficking, but we can and must do more to ensure that victims are properly identified and assisted. This month serves as an opportunity to not just raise awareness of human trafficking but to commit to redoubling our engagement in meaningful prevention methods. And while we should make this commitment during the month of January, I urge us to remember that prevention and education efforts should be a focus every day of the year.

Sincerely,

OR (when responding to an article with a religious theme or that mentions a bishop or Church leader)

Dear Editor,

Your recent article, [name of article], discussing the issue of human trafficking and human exploitation was [jarring/uplifting]. As a Catholic, I understand that human trafficking undermines basic human dignity and inflicts harm upon human life. The prevention of human trafficking and misery is a moral issue and one that we must come together to advance. Our Catholic community believes that all humans are made in the image and likeness of God. As the Church prepares to celebrate the Day of Prayer for St. Josephine Bakhita on February 8th, I hope my fellow parishioners will take the opportunity to raise awareness of human trafficking. Further, I hope that all Catholics will take the opportunity to educate themselves on this form of human suffering so that we can be better positioned to eradicate this terrible crime.

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