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Dear Florida Commercial Driver:

Florida's 12,000 miles of highway and growing economy present Floridians and visitors with many opportunities to travel for work and leisure. However, while our expansive transportation system affords us so much, criminals target our state and use our highways to traffic women, men, and children.

Human trafficking – or modern-day slavery – is a horrendous crime that can take place in many forms and places. Victims of trafficking can be young children, teenagers, and adults who are subjected to force, fraud, or coercion for the purpose of sexual exploitation or forced labor.

As one of Florida's half a million commercial drivers, you are in a unique position to make a difference and actively stand against traffickers who seek to exploit our transportation system for their personal gain by serving as the eyes and ears of our highways.

The Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles and Florida Attorney General Ashley Moody stand committed in the fight to end trafficking in Florida by partnering with Truckers Against Trafficking (TAT) to share resources on how to spot and report a potential trafficking victim, and provide an opportunity for every commercial driver in Florida to become a certified TAT-trained driver.

To become a certified TAT-trained driver, please visit: [FLHSMV.gov/HighwayHeroes](https://www.flhsmv.gov/HighwayHeroes). This training will only take approximately 30 minutes of your time and could prove invaluable in our shared goal of stopping human trafficking.

We hope that you will take the time to familiarize yourself with the enclosed resource. With the support of trucking industry professionals like yourself, we can make our roads the first line of defense in our fight for a stronger, safer Florida.

Sincerely,

Ashley Moody
Florida Attorney General

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