NATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON THE SEX TRAFFICKING OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH IN THE UNITED STATES

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TO: Members of the National Governors Association

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Members of the National Indian Child Welfare Association

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Dear Colleagues:

The National Advisory Committee (NAC) on the Sex Trafficking of Children and Youth in the United States, established on January 18, 2017 through the Preventing Sex Trafficking and Strengthening Families Act of 2014 (P.L. 113-183), advises the Secretary of Health and Human Services and the Attorney General on policies to improve the Nation's response to the sex trafficking of children and youth in the United States.

In March 2021, following the release of the Committee's interim report, <u>Best Practices and Recommendations to States</u>, the Committee requested for each state to assess the extent to which they have worked to address the sex trafficking of children and youth by completing the <u>NAC Recommendations and State Self-Assessment Survey</u>. These survey responses were initially due to the Committee on June 23, 2021; however, the Committee recently approved states' extension requests through **Friday**, **October 29, 2021**.

For questions about the survey, the extended survey response deadline, or the Committee's upcoming work, email NAC@nhttac.org or Lauren.Devine@acf.hhs.gov. Survey instructions and answers to frequently asked questions are also available on the Committee's website.

Thank you for your ongoing partnership.

Sincerely,

Glen (JR) Ujifusa

Chairperson

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