

Advocates for women and children back Speaker Madigan's Senate Bill 1890:

Carrie Ward

Executive Director, Illinois Coalition Against Sexual Assault

“Speaker Madigan’s bill gives a voice to survivors of labor and sexual exploitation, and helps to empower those who are fighting on behalf of those still held in unjust servitude. We’re proud to stand with Speaker Madigan on behalf of vulnerable women and children. His effort not only strengthens our law, but will raise awareness in the fight against human trafficking.”

Dana Pfeiffer

Survivor and Founder, Grounds of Grace:

“As allies of the survivors of human trafficking, we are proud to stand with Speaker Madigan in demanding laws that recognize the seriousness of these crimes. The perpetrators of human trafficking try to silence their victims, so it’s only right that Illinois not only strengthen the penalties on this crime, but also ensure survivors are heard.”

Ines Kutlesa

Chief Executive Officer, Guardian Angel Community Services

“Everyone who wants a better culture for women and families has an obligation to work to bring survivors of human trafficking out of the shadows and bring perpetrators to justice. Speaker Madigan’s legislation will help to make Illinois into a leader in the effort to end human trafficking, and ensure everyone receives the basic human dignity they deserve.”

Kimberly Drew

Legislative Advocacy Director, Heartland Alliance

“Ensuring communities are equipped to identify and responsibly respond to survivors of human trafficking and address exploitative practices is critical. In standing with survivors to demand stronger protections, Speaker Madigan and the supporters of this legislation are showing real commitment to the fight to end human trafficking.”