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All attendees will be available for interviews

Congressmen and religious leaders from the US and Mexico to sign the Joint Declaration Against Modern Day Slavery

Miami, FL—Congressmen, dignitaries, and religious leaders from the United States and Mexico are joining together to sign a binational declaration to end Modern Slavery throughout the World on Friday, August 6, 2021 at 6 PM at The Party Room in Miami, FL*.

“Unlikely Heroes is honored to co-sponsor this event in partnership with Former Congresswoman of Mexico Rosi Orozco, President of Comisión Unidos Vs Trata (United Against Human Trafficking),” says Erica Greve, CEO and Founder, Unlikely Heroes. “We are proud of the incredible work done by so many to bring an end to human trafficking and come together, across borders, to join arms in this vital work.”

In addition to signing the declaration, the Hero award will be given to Ricardo Sodi Cuellar, presiding magistrate of the Superior Court of Justice and of the Council of the Judiciary of the State of Mexico in recognition of his leadership and dedication in this work.

“Chief Sodi Cuellar’s commitment to, and investment in, ending modern slavery has helped elevate the urgency in ending this social injustice,” says Rosi Orozco, President of Comisión Unidos Vs Trata. “Our honoree has the most convictions of johns and traffickers including sex trafficking, forced begging, and forced labor in Mexico. It is incredible the work he has done to bring a lasting change in the region.”

Bishop Marcelo Sánchez Sorondo, chancellor of the Pontifical Academies of Sciences and Social Sciences will be in attendance. Selected by Pope Francis to serve in this role, he is currently leading a major international, interdisciplinary study of the catastrophic migrations of the 21st Century, with an emphasis on the health, mental health, education and legal protections for forcefully displaced children and youth.

Also in attendance will be FL Rep. Danny Perez, FL Rep. Michael Gottlieb, FL Rep. Tobin Overdorf, FL Senator Ileana Garcia, the President of the Superior Court of Justice of the State of Mexico Magistrate Ricardo Sodi Cuellar and the elected governor of Tlaxcala Lorena. Additional participating organizations include Kaleido Incorporated, Nilsa Alvarez with Patmos Inc, Fundación Socorro & Francisca Romero Sanchez AC, Fundación Adriana Castañeda de Rivera, Food for the Poor, Transform World 2033.

This event concludes "10 Days of Activism Against Trafficking" in which advocates and survivor leaders met with legislators in Washington DC, July 26 in conjunction with World Day of Trafficking in Person.

*The Party Room, 801 Brickell Key Blvd, Miami, FL 33131