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STATE OF TEXAS  
**BOARD OF PARDONS AND PAROLES**

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**PRESS RELEASE**  
**PUBLIC AWARENESS CAMPAIGN**  
**HUMAN TRAFFICKING/DOMESTIC VIOLENCE**

The Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles has recognized both the national and statewide efforts to assist survivors of human trafficking/domestic violence. Governor Abbott's leadership on this issue has been instrumental. Recognizing some individuals may have committed and been convicted of offenses that were a result of human trafficking/domestic violence victimization, the Board of Pardons and Paroles has created a special avenue for those survivors to seek clemency. We are pleased to now have available on our website a link to a special clemency application survivors of human trafficking/domestic violence can utilize to apply for clemency. The Board of Pardons and Paroles fully supports the effort of Governor Abbott on this important issue. This special application will further the effort to recognize and restore the rights and privileges of survivors.

Further information can be obtained by visiting the Board of Pardons and Paroles website at <https://www.tdcj.texas.gov/bpp> or by calling 512-406-5852.

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