**Human Trafficking Podcast**

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**Introduction/Welcome** (Wade/Tain)

**Introduction of Guest**

**Tain** We’re honored today to have a special guest on the podcast, the First Lady of the State of Georgia, Marty Kemp. Mrs. Kemp, we’re incredibly honored to welcome you to the podcast studio today.

**Wade** Mrs. Kemp, I know that we have some important issues to discuss today, but I know that our listeners would like to know a bit of your background. You’re from here in Athens, correct?

**Mrs. Kemp:**

**Tain:** You have also owned a small business and have taught school, correct?

**Mrs. Kemp:**

**Wade:** I know that things have changed a lot for you since the election last year. What is your life like now on a day to day basis?

Mrs. Kemp:

**Tain:** We’ve invited Mrs. Kemp here today to talk about a serious topic that is important to her, the topic of human trafficking. Mrs. Kemp, tell us a bit about this topic.

**Mrs. Kemp:**

Modern day slavery

Sexual and labor exploitation

One of the world’s fastest-growing criminal industries

Multi-billion dollar criminal enterprise

Average age of entry into sex trafficking is 12-14 years

Large proportion of runaway teen population

2019 study from Georgia State University showed that over half of Georgia’s homeless youth are being trafficked for labor or sex

Also, they tend to be Black or African American, frequently LGBTQ youth, and tend to be youth who have been in the juvenile justice or foster care system

**Wade:** I understand that Georgia, and Atlanta in particular, has been identified as a hub for trafficking. Is that true?

**Mrs. Kemp:**

2005 FBI identified Atlanta as one of 14 cities with the highest incidence of sexually trafficked children

National Human Trafficking Hotline in 2018 ranked Georgia fourth among the states

**Tain:** Mrs. Kemp, I know that since 2005, and particularly in the past year a lot is being done in Georgia to change these statistics. We want to talk about that. Tell us about your work with the GRACE Commission>

**Mrs. Kemp:**

Partnership with law enforcement, particularly Attorney General Chris Carr, GBI Director Vic Reynolds, DOJ officials, and U.S. Attorneys BJay Pak and Charlie Peeler, as well as other elected officials and stakeholders.

Purpose: ???

Received a $4.3 million grant to assist law enforcement officials and victim service providers in prosecution of human traffickers and aid of victims.

**Tain:** For our listeners, particularly the judges, these cases most often come to us in the context of several statutes. For example, O.C.G.A. § 16-5-46 is trafficking Persons for Sexual Servitude. O.C.G.A. § 16-6-11 criminalizes Pimping Persons Under the Age of 18. O.C.G.A. § 16-12-100 is Sexual Exploitation of Children. In 2011, the Attorney General and key legislators worked to pass legislation to increase the potential penalties on the statutes relating to human trafficking. Also broadens the definition of coercion and authorizes asset forfeiture.

**Wade:** Mrs. Kemp, can you help our listeners know some of the signs that someone may be being trafficked- either for sex or for labor? After all, we see people in a wide variety of contexts…

**Mrs. Kemp:**

**Working Conditions**

No freedom to come and go

Under 18 and providing commercial sex acts

In the sex industry and has a pimp or “manager”

Is unpaid, barely paid, or paid only by tips

No breaks or under unusual restrictions at work

Works excessively long or unusual hours

Recruited by false promises

High security measures at the work place

Living on work site

Verbal or physical abuse by supervisor

Not paid directly

**Mental Health and Behavior**

Fearful, anxious, depressed, submissive, tense, nervous/paranoid

Substance abuse

**Physical Health**

Poor hygiene, malnourishment, and/or fatigue

Signs of physical/sexual abuse, physical restraint, confinement or torture

**Lack of Control**

Few of no personal possessions

No financial control

No possession of identification documents or passport

Not allowed to speak for themselves

**Tain:** If our listeners identify someone they see who may have been a victim of trafficking, what resources are out there, beyond law enforcement, to assist?

**Mrs. Kemp:**

**Resources and organizations**

**Wade:** Mrs. Kemp, it has been an honor to have you here today. Is there anything else you would like to tell the listeners in closing?

**Mrs. Kemp:**

**Wrap-Up**

**Tain:** Thanks again to First Lady Marty Kemp for being our special guest today.

Wade: Folks, thank you, as always for tuning in to the “Good Judge-ment Podcast”. I’m Wade Padgett.

**Tain:** And I’m Tain Kell, and this is the Good Judge-ment Podcast.

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