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**Airline Personnel and NGO Partners
are cordially invited to a**

**Bill Signing Ceremony with
Virginia Governor Bob McDonnell**

**Tuesday, May 31, 2011
1:30PM – 2:30PM**

**IAD - Dulles Airport
Conference Room A (Across Baggage Claim 1)**



Governor McDonnell signs landmark legislation on Human Trafficking

Virginia will sign into law bills: HB- 2190, HB 1893 and HB 2190 proposed by delegates Timothy Hugo, Vivian Watts and Adam Ebbin at Dulles Airport on May 31, 2011.. These laws expand the kidnapping laws to include trafficking, increase penalties for offenders and increase resources for victims.

"It's hard to believe, but there are victims of this horrible crime living right here in Virginia," said Delegate Ebbin. "Trafficking victims are often beaten, raped, threatened, manipulated, and locked up. It's important that when victims are rescued, we are able to get them the aid they need to start the recovery process."



Victims are often afraid to come forward, and when they do, law enforcement and social services don't know whether to treat them as criminals or victims. This provides a plan to identify trafficking victims, assists them receiving benefits, and coordinates state agencies and non-profits in delivering health, housing, education, job training, and legal services."

The event will be held at Dulles Airport as many victims are transported on airlines. It is estimated 800,000 people are trafficked across international borders and 100,000 to 300,000 domestic minors are forced into sexually slavery within the U.S. annually. Airline Ambassadors International, the only independent charity of the overall airline industry, has developed a training program available for airline, airport and hotel employees, as a front-line of defense against this horrific crime.

Airline Representatives (ideally in uniform) are needed to join the ceremony and demonstrate our industry commitment to this important issue. RSVP to ANGELS@airlineamb.org or 202-466-3428

