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The Honorable Rob Portman United States Senate 448 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Richard Blumenthal United States Senate 706 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senators Portman and Blumenthal:

On behalf of Hewlett Packard Enterprise, I am writing to express our support for S. 1693, the *Stop Enabling Sex Traffickers Act of 2017*. Your legislation will help bring justice to victims and their families and protect vulnerable women and children.

As an industry-leading, global technology company that has long taken a stand against forced labor and human trafficking, and has made it a priority to protect and elevate vulnerable worker groups, we believe the technology sector has a responsibility to help policymakers and law enforcement combat illicit and criminal activity on the internet, especially sex trafficking.

Hewlett Packard Enterprise views engagement with stakeholders and public advocacy as integral aspects of its overall strategy to address the risks of forced labor and human trafficking. We often share our experiences and the challenges associated with combatting these issues in our supply chain at conferences and other public forums. The goal is to raise awareness, help other companies build an internal business case for action on trafficking, and advance wider stakeholder dialogue about how we can collaborate on meaningful actions.

To that end, please let me know how my team and I can be of assistance as you seek consensus to move this important legislation forward.

Thank you for your leadership, and we stand ready to work with you and your colleagues to enact this important bill.

Sincerely,

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