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## **RESOLUTION NO.**

[Urging the San Francisco Employees' Retirement System and Retirement Board to Divest from Firearm and Ammunition Manufacturers]

Resolution urging the San Francisco Employees' Retirement System and Retirement Board to divest from firearm and ammunition manufacturers.

WHEREAS, San Francisco and cities across the United States continue to be affected by senseless gun violence and easy access to guns and ammunition; and

WHEREAS, The senseless gun violence and tragedies committed in Orlando, Sandy Hook, Charleston, Tucson, Aurora, and Virginia Tech show that current gun control regulations are simply not enough to protect the public from senseless gun violence; and

WHEREAS, Currently, on average every day 297 people are shot and an average of 89 people die from gun violence each day in America; and

WHEREAS, San Francisco and the State of California have been national leaders in enacting common sense gun safety policies all aimed at stopping senseless gun violence, saving lives, and enhancing public safety; and

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Employee's Retirement System (SFERS) administers two benefit programs from active and retired members; and

WHEREAS, Under the direction of the Retirement Board, the Executive Director and senior staff of SFERS manage the day-to-day activities of the system including investments; and

WHEREAS, In the wake of mass gun violence a number of municipal retirement funds, including the California State Teachers' Retirement System (CalSTRS) and the country's largest pension fund, the California Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS) have voted to divest from investments in firearm and ammunition manufacturers; and

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WHEREAS, The Retirement Board's Social Investment Policy states, that "The relationship of the corporation to the communities in which it operates shall be maintained as a good corporate citizen through observing proper environmental standards, supporting the local economic, social and cultural climate, conducting acquisitions and reorganizations to minimize adverse effects;" and

WHEREAS, Currently, SFERS has just over one million dollars invested in three different companies that are in the firearm and ammunition manufacturing businesses; and

WHEREAS, On February 12, 2013, the Board of Supervisors unanimously adopted a resolution urging the Retirement Board of the Employees' Retirement System to divest from publicly traded firearm and ammunition manufacturers, on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. <u>130125</u>, which is hereby declared to be a part of this resolution as if set forth fully herein; and

WHEREAS, The Retirement Board has hosted one hearing on divesting from firearm and ammunition manufacturers, but has not taken any divestment action since that hearing; and

WHEREAS, Divesting from firearm and ammunition manufactures would be consistent with the Retirement Board's Social Investment Policy, would match San Francisco values and priorities, and would be a powerful, meaningful act for the City; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges the Retirement Board to not make any new investments in firearm and ammunition manufacturers; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges the Retirement Board to host a hearing on divesting from investments in firearm and ammunition manufacturers as soon as possible; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges the Retirement Board to divest all the City's investments in Orbital ATK, Vista Outdoor, and Sturm, Ruger & Co. in

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