Resolution supporting California State Senate Bill No. 281, Agricultural District 1a: Firearm and Ammunition Sales at the Cow Palace, authored by Senator Scott Wiener and principally coauthored by Assembly Members David Chiu and Phil Ting, which promotes the general welfare and public safety by prohibiting the sale of firearms or ammunition in the buildings that comprise the Cow Palace property.

WHEREAS, The California State Legislature is currently considering passage of State Senate Bill No. 281 (SB 281), which would prohibit the sale of firearms or ammunition from the buildings that comprise the Cow Palace property in San Mateo County and the City and County of San Francisco; and

WHEREAS, Every day, on average, 310 people are shot in the United States; and WHEREAS, 100 individuals are shot and killed every day, including 61 individuals who tragically take their own life; and

WHEREAS, Gun violence impacts 21 children and youth every day; and

WHEREAS, Gun violence exacts a physical, emotional, and financial toll on survivors and their families as well as the families of victims who lose their lives, and the effects of gun violence are also felt by communities in the form of reduced investment from businesses and entrepreneurs; and

WHEREAS, The last gun store in San Francisco, closed in September 2015, rather than comply with the City's proposed gun violence prevention regulations; and

WHEREAS, The Cow Palace Board of Directors voted to stop holding gun shows or gun sales events in April 2019, despite intense pressure from advocacy groups; and

WHEREAS, The Cow Palace Board of Directors reconsidered, but ultimately kept, the policy currently in place in November of 2019; and

WHEREAS, The Cow Palace is a highly profitable regional community event center, with no debt and a balance sheet containing over \$4 million; and

WHEREAS, Gun violence also imposes significant costs on taxpayers and the local governments tasked with addressing the issue; and

WHEREAS, Violent crime in San Francisco dropped significantly in 2019, and homicides decreased by 11 percent, which means that 2019 had the lowest homicide rate since 1961; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors passed the Vision Zero on Homicides and Violent Crimes Plan, which calls for affirmative action to limit the causes of violence in San Francisco, in December 2019; and

WHEREAS, The California State Legislature passed, and the Governor signed Assembly Bill 893, which imposed a similar ban at the state-owned Del Mar Fairgrounds in Del Mar, California; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco recognizes the legitimate threat to public health and safety that the sale of guns and ammunition present to our community; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco supports SB 281, and urges the members of the State Assembly and Governor to support it as well; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That Board of Supervisors directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit copies of this Resolution to the State Legislature and the City Lobbyist upon passage.



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February 11, 2020 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 9 - Haney, Mandelman, Mar, Preston, Ronen, Safai, Stefani, Walton and

Yee

Absent: 2 - Fewer and Peskin

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 2/11/2020 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

> Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

Unsigned

London N. Breed Mayor

2/21/2020

Date Approved

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution, not being signed by the Mayor within the time limit as set forth in Section 3.103 of the Charter, or time waived pursuant to Board Rule 2.14.2, became effective without her approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter or Board Rule 2.14.2.

Angela Calvillo

Clerk of the Board