

1 [National Gun Violence Survivors Week - February 1 through February 7, 2023]

2

3 **Resolution declaring the week of February 1 through February 7, 2023, to be National**  
4 **Gun Violence Survivors Week in the City and County of San Francisco, to honor and**  
5 **remember all victims and survivors of gun violence and uplift the resilient voices of**  
6 **survivors across the nation.**

7

8 WHEREAS, Every year, more than 40,000 Americans are killed with guns and  
9 approximately 76,000 more are shot and wounded; and

10 WHEREAS, Every year, on average, 3,000 Californians are killed in acts of gun  
11 violence annually and thousands more are shot and wounded; and

12 WHEREAS, Generally by early February each year, more Americans are killed with  
13 guns than are killed in our peer countries in an entire calendar year; and

14 WHEREAS, A gun violence survivor is anyone who has personally experienced gun  
15 violence - whether you have witnessed an act of gun violence, been threatened or wounded  
16 with a gun, or had someone you know and cared for wounded or killed; and

17 WHEREAS, Forms of gun violence can include, but are not limited to: gun suicides,  
18 gun homicides, domestic violence involving a gun, shootings by law enforcement, and  
19 unintentional shootings; and

20 WHEREAS, 59 percent of American adults, including 71 percent of black and 60  
21 percent of Latinx Americans, or someone they care for has experienced gun violence in their  
22 lifetime, demonstrating the reach and impact gun violence has in communities across  
23 America; and

24 WHEREAS, Firearms are now the leading cause of death for children and teens; and

25

1           WHEREAS, People in cities across the nation are working to end the senseless  
2 violence by advocating for commonsense gun safety legislation; and

3           WHEREAS, By commemorating national gun violence survivors week, cities across  
4 America will raise awareness about gun violence and honor the lives stolen by this insidious  
5 epidemic; and

6           WHEREAS, The City should renew the commitment to reduce gun violence and pledge  
7 to do all that it can to keep firearms out of the hands of those who are a danger to themselves  
8 or others and encourage responsible gun ownership to help keep communities safe; and,  
9 therefore, be it

10          RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors declares February 1  
11 through February 7, 2023, to be National Gun Violence Survivors Week and to encourage all  
12 citizens to support their communities' efforts to prevent the tragic effects of gun violence and  
13 to honor and value human lives.

14  
15  
16  
17  
18  
19  
20  
21  
22  
23  
24  
25