

AMENDED IN COMMITTEE

9/28/2023

FILE NO. 221206

RESOLUTION NO. 501-23

1 [Urging Creation of Programming and Resources for Victims of Gun Violence]

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3 **Resolution urging the San Francisco Department of Public Health to create a program**  
4 **to provide resources and education for victims of gun violence regarding their rights to**  
5 **file lawsuits against gun manufacturers in accordance to California State Assembly Bill**  
6 **No. 1594.**

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8 WHEREAS, According to San Francisco Police Department data, there have been 139  
9 shootings in 2022 resulting in injury or loss of life in the City and County of San Francisco; and

10 WHEREAS, These shootings resulted in 113 victims injured by gun violence and 26  
11 victims killed by gun violence; and

12 WHEREAS, Gun violence disproportionately affects Black and Brown communities in  
13 San Francisco; and

14 WHEREAS, According to San Francisco Police Department data, from 2017  
15 to 2020, 67% of victims killed by gun violence in San Francisco were Black and Latino men;  
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17 WHEREAS, According to San Francisco Police Department data, the total population  
18 of Black and Brown residents in the City and County of San Francisco is below ten percent;  
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20 WHEREAS, Gun violence disproportionately affects young adults and children in the  
21 City and County of San Francisco; and

22 WHEREAS, According to San Francisco Police Department data, in San  
23 Francisco, 45% of gun violence homicide victims are under the age of 35; and

24 WHEREAS, According to San Francisco Police Department Data, in San  
25 Francisco, 78% of victims injured by gun Violence are under the age of 35; and

1           WHEREAS, According to reporting by the Washington Post, nationally, Black men  
2 make up 52% of all gun homicide victims, despite comprising less than 6% of the population;  
3 and

4           WHEREAS, According to the UCSF Wraparound Project, in the United States, for  
5 every homicide by gun violence, 100 others are injured by gun violence, and an estimated  
6 cost of care for victims of gun violence in the United States is \$264 billion annually; and

7           WHEREAS, According to the Giffords Center against Gun Violence, over 110 people  
8 die from gun violence every day in the United States; and

9           WHEREAS, According to the National Gun Violence Archive there were 690 mass  
10 shootings in the United States in 2021, and there have been 617 mass shootings so far  
11 in 2022; and

12           WHEREAS, Nationwide, we have seen hate based mass shootings rise, in March 2021  
13 there were 8 people killed in Atlanta, in what was determined to be motivated by anti-Asian  
14 hate; and

15           WHEREAS, In May 2022, a White-Supremacist shooter targeted a market in Buffalo,  
16 New York motivated by hatred for African-Americans, killing ten people; and

17           WHEREAS, In November 2022, a shooter motivated by hate for the LGBTQ+  
18 community targeted a club hosting a drag event in Colorado Springs, Colorado, killing five  
19 people; and

20           WHEREAS, According to reporting by the Washington Post, between 2020 and 2021  
21 there was a record 43 million firearms purchased in the United States; and

22           WHEREAS, According to reporting by National Public Radio (NPR), since 2020 gun  
23 manufacturers have earned over \$3 billion dollars in profits from reported gun sales in the  
24 United States; and  
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1           WHEREAS, This year, families from Sandy Hook Elementary sued Remington claiming  
2 that the manufacturer's marketing of the AR-15-style rifle appealed to troubled men, like the  
3 shooter who killed 26 people including children and teachers, violating Connecticut state law  
4 and resulted in a \$73 million settlement; and

5           WHEREAS, On July 12, 2022, Governor Gavin Newsom signed into law Assembly Bill  
6 No. 1594 (AB 1594), on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 221206,  
7 which is hereby declared to be a part of this Resolution as if set forth fully herein, creating a  
8 path for private citizens and local governments to sue gun manufacturers for the harm their  
9 products cause when they do not follow California gun laws as allowed under federal law; and

10           WHEREAS, California law requires rigorous background checks to purchase a gun,  
11 prevents straw purchases, requires the sale of safety devices with each firearm and bans the  
12 sale or manufacturing of assault weapons; now, therefore, be it

13           RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco  
14 urges the San Francisco Department of Public Health to establish a program to provide  
15 services and information for victims of gun violence to their rights relating to AB 1594 in the  
16 City and County of San Francisco beginning on January 1, 2024; and, be it

17           FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San  
18 Francisco urges the San Francisco Department of Public Health to expand existing violence  
19 prevention programs to include a program to support victims of gun violence in San Francisco  
20 and provide information and resources relating to rights afforded by AB 1594 and work with  
21 the City Attorney's office the City Administrators' Office, and the Mayor's Budget Office to  
22 identify funding and staffing as necessary.



City and County of San Francisco

Tails Resolution

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File Number: 221206

Date Passed: October 17, 2023

Resolution urging the San Francisco Department of Public Health to create a program to provide resources and education for victims of gun violence regarding their rights to file lawsuits against gun manufacturers in accordance to California State Assembly Bill No. 1594.

September 28, 2023 Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee - AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING SAME TITLE

September 28, 2023 Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee - RECOMMENDED AS AMENDED

October 17, 2023 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Chan, Dorsey, Engardio, Mandelman, Melgar, Peskin, Preston, Ronen, Safai, Stefani and Walton

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 10/17/2023 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Handwritten signature of Angela Calvillo
Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

Unsigned

10/27/2023

London N. Breed
Mayor

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.

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10/27/2023

Date