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NOTE:

[Police Code - Police Department Relationship to National Rifle Association]

Ordinance amending the Police Code to rescind the authorization for the Police

Department to be a member of the National Rifle Association or to collect tournament
fees for the National Rifle Association.

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Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

Section 1. Article 18 of the Police Code is hereby amended by deleting Sections 1357 and 1358, and revising Sections 1350 and 1359, to read as follows:

SEC. 1350. LOCATION – JURISDICTION.

The pistol range located near *the*-Skyline *and Lake Merced* Boulevards *and John Muir Drive*, in the City and County of San Francisco, is hereby placed under the jurisdiction and management of the Police Department.

SEC. 1357. MEMBERSHIP IN NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

The Police Department of the City and County of San Francisco is hereby authorized to hold membership in the National Rifle Association and the cost of the said membership shall be paid from such funds as may be appropriated or set aside for that purpose.

SEC. 1358. NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION FEES.

The Chief of Police is also authorized to collect and receive registration fees prescribed by the Rules and Regulations of the National Rifle Association and on behalf of said Association in connection with the holding of the firearms tournaments. The said fees shall be deposited in and paid from the "Police Range Fund."

SEC. 1359. DISBURSEMENTS FROM POLICE RANGE FUND.

Money deposited in the Police Range Fund shall be disbursed in the following order:

- (a) In the payment of taxes collected pursuant to Section 1354 of this Article.
- (b) In the payment to the National Rifle Association or its order, of fees collected pursuant to Section 1358 of this Article.
- (b) (e) In the payment of purchases of trophies, medals, and prizes, and the payment of such incidental tournament costs or purchase of such training equipment as may be authorized by the Police Commission.
- (c) (d) In payment of police personnel and maintenance and other costs incurred in training persons in the use of firearms for which a fee is charged pursuant to Section 1351.1.

Section 2. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective 30 days after enactment. Enactment occurs when the Mayor signs the ordinance, the Mayor returns the ordinance unsigned or does not sign the ordinance within ten days of receiving it, or the Board of Supervisors overrides the Mayor's veto of the ordinance.

Section 3. Scope of Ordinance. In enacting this ordinance, the Board of Supervisors intends to amend only those words, phrases, paragraphs, subsections, sections, articles, numbers, punctuation marks, charts, diagrams, or any other constituent parts of the Municipal

Code that are explicitly shown in this ordinance as additions, deletions, Board amendment additions, and Board amendment deletions in accordance with the "Note" that appears under the official title of the ordinance.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

DENNIS J. HERRERA, City Attorney

By:

JON GIVNER
Deputy City Attorney

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LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

[Police Code - Police Department Relationship to National Rifle Association]

Ordinance amending the Police Code to rescind the authorization for the Police Department to be a member of the National Rifle Association or to collect tournament fees for the National Rifle Association.

Existing Law

Existing law allows the Police Department to be a member of the National Rifle Association (NRA) and to collect tournament fees on behalf of the NRA in connection with holding firearms tournaments.

Amendments to Current Law

The proposed ordinance would rescind the Police Department's authority to be a member of the NRA and to collect tournament fees on behalf of the NRA in connection with holding firearms tournaments.

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From:

Calvin Quick (BAStA) <calvin@quickstonian.com>

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Thursday, February 07, 2019 5:16 PM

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Subject: Attachments:

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Hello,

Please find attached a letter of support on File No. 181158 [Police Code - Police Department Relationship to National Rifle Association] from Bay Area Student Activists.

Best,

Calvin Quick

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November 30, 2018

The Honorable Catherine Stefani, Supervisor San Francisco Board of Supervisors City Hall, Room 244 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place San Francisco, CA 94102

SUPPORT: BOS File No. 181158 [Police Code - Police Department Relationship to National Rifle Association]

Dear Supervisor Stefani,

Bay Area Student Activists (BAStA) strongly supports your proposed ordinance, BOS File No. 181158, amending the police code to rescind the authorization for the Police Department to be a member of the National Rifle Association or to collect tournament fees for the National Rifle Association.

BAStA is an entirely student-led organization that aims to uplift the voices of students, especially high school students, on issues that affect them.

Specifically, this legislation would remove antiquated language from the Police Code which has stood for decades in contradiction of San Francisco's commitment to stricter gun control. These clauses authorize the San Francisco Police Department (SFPD) to be a member and pay dues from government-held funds to the National Rifle Association (NRA), in connection with the operation of SFPD's pistol range at Skyline Boulevard and John Muir Drive.

For decades, the NRA has lobbied elected and appointed officials at all levels of government in the United State of America to promote the agenda of the gun industry in this country: an industry whose premise is the manufacture and sale of firearms, weapons designed expressly to injure or kill. They have pushed hard against common sense gun control measures, such as comprehensive background checks for all firearm sales, *ex-parte* gun violence restraining orders, and federal and state bans on assault weapons. The NRA and the gun lobby have won immunity from civil liability actions at the federal and state levels with the passage of the Protection of Lawful Commerce in Arms Act in 2005. All this has been while gun violence has continued to kill an average of 96 Americans every day, with two more injured for every killed, according to Everytown for Gun Safety.

San Francisco, on the other hand, has been at the forefront of the struggle for gun control. In 2005, the City and County enacted a total ban on handguns, before that ordinance was overturned by the courts. San Francisco also enacted a ban on the sale of gun with magazines



having a capacity of more than ten rounds. Additionally, the City and County has passed legislation imposing strict liability on gun manufacturers in cases of death or bodily injury caused by the discharge of a firearm, and this language remains on the books today despite the passage of the Protection of Lawful Commerce in Arms Act (see above). In 2018, following the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School shooting in Parkland, Florida, this Board of Supervisors passed legislation, sponsored by Supervisor Stefani, and signed by Mayor Mark Farrell, to prohibit the possession of a firearm at public gatherings such as parades or demonstrations.

It is also important to note that this proposed ordinance, if enacted, would have no immediate practical effect, because, according to the San Francisco Chronicle, SFPD has not held membership within the NRA since at least 2004. Rather, this measure would have a much more significant symbolic meaning, severing this last tie between the City and County and the gun lobby.

Ultimately, this proposed ordinance is a common-sense measure to realign San Francisco's Police Code with its own expressed values. BAStA therefore strongly supports this legislation, and urges its passage at the Board of Supervisors, and its enactment by the Mayor's signature.

Sincerely,

Calvin Quick [signed]

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MEMORANDUM

TO:

William Scott, Police Chief

Vicki Hennessy, Sheriff

FROM:

John Carroll, Assistant Clerk,

Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee

DATE:

December 6, 2018

SUBJECT:

HEARING MATTER INTRODUCED

The Board of Supervisors' Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee has received the following ordinance, introduced by Supervisor Stefani on November 27, 2018:

File No. 181158

Ordinance amending the Police Code to rescind the authorization for the Police Department to be a member of the National Rifle Association or to collect tournament fees for the National Rifle Association.

If you have any comments or reports to be included with the file, please forward them to me at the Board of Supervisors, City Hall, Room 244, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco, CA 94102.

c: Rowena Carr, Police Department
Asja Steeves, Police Department
Theodore Toet, Sheriff's Department
Katherine Johnson, Sheriff's Department
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By a Member of the Board of Supervisors or Mayor

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