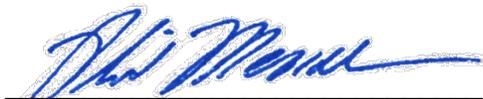


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31 A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

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34 IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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39 To recognize the month of June 2023 as “Gun Violence Awareness Month” in the District
40 of Columbia.

41 WHEREAS, Hadiya Pendleton, a teenager from Chicago who marched in the presidential
42 inaugural parade in January 2013 and was tragically shot and killed weeks later, should be
43 celebrating her 26th birthday this year;

44 WHEREAS, to help honor Hadiya and to raise awareness of the epidemic of gun violence
45 in the United States, a national coalition of organizations has designated June 2, 2023 as
46 National Gun Violence Awareness Day and the month of June as Gun Violence Awareness
47 Month;

48 WHEREAS, there are an average of nearly 60 gun homicides across the country each
49 day, and nearly 100 Americans are harmed by guns every day;

50 WHEREAS, in the District of Columbia in 2022, 174 people were killed by gunfire and
51 710 more were injured;

52 WHEREAS, in the District of Columbia in 2022, 16 children were killed by gunfire and
53 89 more were injured;

54 WHEREAS, the Council encourages all District residents to look for ways to support
55 their local communities' efforts to prevent the tragic effects of gun violence and honor and
56 value precious human life:

57 RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this
58 resolution may be cited as the "Gun Violence Awareness Month Recognition Resolution of
59 2023."

60 Sec. 2. The Council declares the month of June 2023 as "Gun Violence Awareness
61 Month" in the District of Columbia.

62 Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in
63 the District of Columbia Register.