

RESOLUTION CONDEMNING GUN VIOLENCE IN OUR COMMUNITY

WHEREAS, gun violence has become a grim and somber reality of life in our communities;

WHEREAS, lethal gun violence has a devastating impact on our neighborhoods, resulting in emotional and physiological impacts including psychological trauma and other health complications;

WHEREAS, the epidemic of gun violence has trickled into all facets of our lives, from our homes, schools, churches and places of employment;

WHEREAS, gun ownership and gun control are among the most widely debated issues in this country;

WHEREAS, in the United States one person is killed every fifteen minutes with a gun, making the U.S. gun homicide rate 25 times higher than other high-income nations;

WHEREAS, as of April 28, 2020, the City of Greensboro has had thirteen (13) homicides; and there are 103 unsolved cold cases dating back to 1969;

WHEREAS, the City of Greensboro is dedicated to finding methods to condemn gun violence through intervention, education, compassion, and alternative resolutions;

WHEREAS, by remembering those we have lost, we can honor their memories and work together to condemn gun violence in Greensboro; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO:

That recognize the urgency to condemn gun violence in our community and remember those lives lost and to encourage all residents to come together to end this cycle of gun violence in the City of Greensboro.