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Legislation Text

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TO: Mayor and City Commission

FROM: Samuel A. May, City Manager

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CALLING ON THE STATE OF FLORIDA, GOVERNOR RICK SCOTT, PRESIDENT DONALD TRUMP, AND THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO REDUCE GUN VIOLENCE IN AMERICA AND HELP PREVENT FUTURE SHOOTINGS BY REQUIRING A BACKGROUND CHECK FOR EVERY FIREARM SALE; SUPPORTING THE PASSAGE OF A RED FLAG LAW; SUPPORTING RAISING THE AGE FOR LEGAL PURCHASE OF FIREARMS, MAGAZINES AND AMMUNITION TO 21; SUPPORTING THE PASSAGE OF LEGISLATION THAT WOULD KEEP MILITARY-STYLE WEAPONS AND HIGH-CAPACITY MAGAZINES AWAY FROM OUR SCHOOLS; AUTHORIZING THE CITY CLERK TO TRANSMIT THIS RESOLUTION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BACKGROUND: In response to the February 14, 2018 mass shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida which killed 17 students, teachers and coaches and wounded 14 others, 5 with life-threatening injuries, as well as other mass shootings, the City Commission has expressed a desire to provide for a resolution urging State and Federal elected bodies to strengthen gun laws.

RECOMMENDATION: This is a base resolution, modeled on the City of Sunrise resolution, contains comprehensive options intended for the Commission to freely add or subtract text based upon open discussion at the City Commission meeting.

FISCAL IMPACT: None.

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