

**PROCLAMATION
NATIONAL GUN VIOLENCE AWARENESS DAY**

This proclamation declares June 2, 2017, to be National Gun Violence Awareness Day in the City/County of _____, Utah, a day to honor and remember all victims and survivors of gun violence.

WHEREAS, every day an average of 93 Americans are killed by gun violence, and countless others are injured; and

WHEREAS, Americans are 25 times more likely to be murdered by firearms than people in other developed countries; and

WHEREAS, Utah has the 4th highest number of suicides per capita in the US, and guns are more lethal than any other suicide means; and

WHEREAS, citizen and government efforts to keep guns out of the hands of those who are likely to misuse them is *not* inconsistent with the Second Amendment of the United States Constitution; and

WHEREAS, the organizers of the National Gun Violence Awareness Day propose that residents of the United States wear orange on June 2, 2017, to raise awareness of, and to honor those who have fallen victim to, gun violence; and

WHEREAS, the City/County of _____, Utah, supports efforts of private citizens and governmental entities to reduce gun violence;

WHEREAS, we renew our commitment to reduce gun violence and pledge to do all we can to keep firearms out of the wrong hands and encourage responsible gun ownership to help keep our community safe.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor of the City/County of _____, Utah, declares June 2, 2017, to be Gun Violence Awareness Day in the City and encourages members of the community who wish to honor those who have been victimized by gun violence to wear orange on that day.

