

A PROCLAMATION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF POMONA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, PROCLAIMING JUNE 2, 2025 AS “NATIONAL GUN VIOLENCE AWARENESS DAY” IN THE CITY OF POMONA

WHEREAS, every day, more than 120 Americans are killed by gun violence and more than 200 are shot and wounded, with an average of more than 17,000 gun homicides every year; and

WHEREAS gun violence is now the leading cause of death for children and youth in the United States and residents are 26 times more likely to die by gun homicide than people in other high-income countries; and

WHEREAS, gun homicides and assaults impact cities across the United States, with more than half of all firearm related gun deaths in the nation occurring in 127 cities, including gun suicides which account for half of gun deaths in the State of California; and

WHEREAS, the City of Pomona, is working to end senseless gun violence with evidence-based solutions including the establishment of the Office of Violence Prevention and Neighborhood Wellbeing; and

WHEREAS, we renew our commitment to reduce gun violence and pledge to do all we can to keep firearms out of the hands of people who should not have access to them, and encourage responsible gun ownership to help keep our families and communities safe.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF POMONA does hereby proclaim June 2, 2025 as:

“NATIONAL GUN VIOLENCE AWARENESS DAY”

Dated this 2nd day of June, 2025