Town of Sharon

Proclamation



WHEREAS, every day, more than 110 Americans are killed by gun violence alongside more than 200 who are shot and wounded, and on average there are more than 16,000 gun homicides every year; and

WHEREAS, communities across the nation, including Sharon, are working to end the senseless violence with evidence-based solutions. Protecting public safety in the communities they serve is a Select Board member's highest responsibility; and

WHEREAS, the Select Board, Town Administrator, and public safety officials are familiar with local criminal activity and are best positioned to understand how to keep their citizens safe; and

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 children safe. By wearing orange on June 2, 2023, Americans will raise awareness about gun violence and honor the lives of gun violence victims and survivors.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED, that the Select Board of the Town of Sharon declares Friday, June 2, 2023, to be National Gun Violence Awareness Day. They encourage all citizens to support efforts to prevent the tragic effects of gun violence and to honor and value human lives.

Given this 9th day of May 2023

INC.

Hanna R. Switlekowski, Chair

Emily E. Smith-Lee, Clerk

Kiana Pierre-Louis, Member