

**City of Northampton**  
**MASSACHUSETTS**

**In City Council, June 6, 2013**

**Upon the recommendation of Northampton Youth Commission**

**A Resolution in Support of Regulating High Capacity Weapons**

*Whereas;*

The Second Amendment of the United States Constitution protects an individual's right to own weapons, but does not preclude the regulation and promotion of responsible ownership and possession and,

*Whereas;*

The technology of weaponry available to the public has advanced to include guns capable of meting out vast, indiscriminant death and injury and,

*Whereas;*

Absent laws requiring universal qualification or background investigation, dangerous people are able to acquire these weapons and inflict horrible wanton trauma to communities and,

*Whereas;*

The Youth Commission of Northampton have organized and expressed their profound concern for the future and well-being of their City and home and have petitioned the Northampton City Council to call for sensible gun control measures that include universal background checks, a ban on weapons defined as assault weapons and a limitation on the capacity of ammunition magazines and,

*Whereas;*

Over two-hundred and fifty Northampton residents between the ages of thirteen and eighteen signed a petition calling for a resolution by the Northampton City Council to express the appeal and support for the gun control measures proposed by President Barack Obama

*Now therefore be it resolved that;*

The Northampton City Council supports the call of its younger citizens for the reasonable and effective gun control measures proposed by the President to be reintroduced to the Congress and advanced for a vote and to be ratified with deliberate speed and,

*Be it further resolved that;*

The Northampton City Council calls upon President Barack Obama, Senator Elizabeth Warren, Senator William Cowen and Congressman James McGovern to consider the concern expressed by Northampton's youth as they pursue these protections with urgency, diligence and determination.

*Be it further resolved that;*

Copies of this resolution shall be sent to President Barack Obama, Senator Elizabeth Warren, Senator William Cowen and Congressman James McGovern.

In City Council, June 20, 2013  
Passed First Reading, on a Voice Vote of 8 Yes,  
1 No (Councilor Tacy)

Attest: May I. Medina, Clerk of Council

In City Council, June 27, 2013  
Passed Second Reading, on a on a Voice Vote of 7 Yes, 1 No (Councilor Tacy),  
1 Absent (Councilor Murphy)

Attest: May I. Medina, Clerk of Council

Approved: David J. Narkewicz, Mayor  
Rules suspended, passed two readings and enrolled.

I hereby certify that the above Order passed the Northampton City Council on June 27, 2013.

David J. Narkewicz, Mayor approved the Order on July 1, 2013.

Attest: May I. Medina, Clerk of Council