IN RECOGNITION OF THE 7th NATIONAL GUN VIOLENCE AWARENESS DAY

JUNE 4, 2021

- WHEREAS, NATIONAL GUN VIOLENCE AWARENESS DAY WAS ESTABLISHED TO HONOR AND REMEMBER ALL VICTIMS AND SURVIVORS OF GUN VIOLENCE, AND TO DECLARE THAT WE AS A COUNTRY MUST DO MORE TO REDUCE GUN VIOLENCE; AND
- WHEREAS,EVERY DAY, 100 AMERICANS ARE KILLED BY GUN VIOLENCE AND ON AVERAGE THERE ARE
NEARLY 13,000 GUN HOMICIDES EVERY YEAR. AMERICANS ARE 25 TIMES MORE LIKELY TO
BE KILLED WITH GUNS THAN PEOPLE IN OTHER DEVELOPED COUNTRIES; AND
- **WHEREAS,** SUPPORT FOR THE SECOND AMENDMENT RIGHTS OF LAW-ABIDING CITIZENS GOES HAND-IN-HAND WITH KEEPING GUNS AWAY FROM DANGEROUS PEOPLE; AND
- WHEREAS, HADIYA PENDLETON, A 15-YEAR-OLD TEENAGER WHO MARCHED IN PRESIDENT OBAMA'S SECOND INAUGURAL PARADE WAS TRAGICALLY SHOT AND KILLED JUST WEEKS LATER IN CHICAGO; AND
- **WHEREAS,** TO HONOR HADIYA AND VICTIMS WHOSE LIVES WERE CUT SHORT, AS WELL AS SURVIVORS INJURED BY SHOOTINGS, A NATIONAL COALITION OF ORGANIZATIONS DESIGNATED THE FIRST FRIDAY IN JUNE AS NATIONAL GUN VIOLENCE AWARENESS DAY; AND
- WHEREAS,THE TRAGIC EVENTS AT MARJORY STONEMAN DOUGLAS HIGH SCHOOL, WHERE GUN
VIOLENCE RESULTED IN THE LOSS OF 17 STUDENTS AND FACULTY, AND THE WOUNDING OF
17 OTHERS, BRINGS GREATER ATTENTION TO THE NEED FOR AWARENESS; AND
- WHEREAS, THE PUBLIC IS ENCOURAGED TO JOIN THIS CAMPAIGN BY PLEDGING TO WEAR ORANGE ON THE FIRST FRIDAY IN JUNE 2021 TO HELP RAISE AWARENESS ABOUT GUN VIOLENCE IN UNITED STATES, AND TO HONOR THE LIVES OF GUN VIOLENCE VICTIMS AND SURVIVORS; AND
- **WHEREAS:** THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD RENEWS ITS COMMITMENT TO REDUCE GUN VIOLENCE AND PLEDGE TO DO ALL WE CAN TO KEEP FIREARMS OUT OF THE WRONG HANDS, ENCOURAGE RESPONSIBLE GUN OWNERSHIP, AND URGE ALL RESIDENTS TO SUPPORT THEIR LOCAL COMMUNITIES' EFFORTS TO PREVENT THE TRAGIC EFFECTS OF GUN VIOLENCE FOR THE SAFETY OF OUR CHILDREN, AND TO HONOR THE VALUE OF HUMAN LIVES; NOW
- **THEREFORE,** JOSH LEVY, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA, AND THE HOLLYWOOD CITY COMMISSION, HEREBY PROCLAIM JUNE 4 2021, AS:

NATIONAL GUN VIOLENCE AWARENESS DAY

SIGNED THIS 2ND DAY OF JUNE 2021 AT HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA

MAYOR JOSH LEVY VICE MAYOR LINDA SHERWOOD COMMISSIONER CARYL S. SHUHAM COMMISSIONER LINDA HILL ANDERSON COMMISSIONER TRACI L. CALLARI COMMISSIONER ADAM GRUBER COMMISSIONER KEVIN D. BIEDERMAN