

PROCLAMATION



Office of the Mayor

WHEREAS, every year over 36,000 people in the U.S. are killed in acts of gun violence, and 73,000 more are shot and wounded; and

WHEREAS, by early February more people across the nation are killed with guns than are killed in our peer countries in an entire calendar year; and

WHEREAS, forms of gun violence can include gun suicides, gun homicides, domestic violence involving a gun, law enforcement-involved shootings, and intentional and unintentional shootings; and

WHEREAS, 58 percent of adults or someone they care for has experienced gun violence, demonstrating the reach and impact gun violence has in communities across the nation; and

WHEREAS, firearms are the second leading cause of death for children and teens and the first leading cause of death for Black children and teens; and

WHEREAS, people in cities across the nation are working to end senseless violence by advocating for common-sense gun safety legislation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT I, JACOB A. WOODFORD, Mayor of the City of Appleton, Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim February 1-7, 2021 as

Gun Violence Survivor Week

in Appleton and encourage all residents to raise awareness about gun violence, renew our commitment to reduce gun violence and keep firearms out of the wrong hands, and encourage responsible gun ownership.

Signed and sealed this 29th day of January 2021.



JACOB A. WOODFORD
MAYOR OF APPLETON