

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF HORRY
CITY OF MYRTLE BEACH



JUNE 3, 2022
NATIONAL GUN VIOLENCE AWARENESS DAY

WHEREAS, more than 110 Americans are killed daily by gun violence, with more than 230 others being shot and wounded each day; and

WHEREAS, Americans are 25 times more likely to die by gun homicide than people in other high-income countries; and

WHEREAS, In 2019, South Carolina experienced 1,012 gun deaths, a rate of about 20 deaths per 100,000 people, for the eighth highest rate of gun deaths in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Support for the Second Amendment rights of law-abiding citizens goes hand-in-hand with keeping guns away from people with dangerous histories; and

WHEREAS, So far in 2022, the United States has experienced approximately 240 mass shootings in which four or more people were killed or injured, illustrating the growing problem of gun violence nationwide; and

WHEREAS, National Gun Violence Awareness Day honors the memory of Hadiya Pendleton, tragically killed January 2013 at age 15, and whose classmates chose the color orange to symbolize the value of human life, hence the wearing of orange June 3-5, 2022;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Myrtle Beach City Council hereby designates June 3, 2022, as National Gun Violence Awareness Day and urges citizens to speak with their children and others about gun violence and take the safety precautions and steps necessary to prevent the tragic effects of gun violence in our communities.

Signed and sealed this 24th day of May 2022.



Brenda Bethune

BRENDA BETHUNE, MAYOR

Jennifer Adkins

JENNIFER ADKINS, CITY CLERK