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RESOLUTION NO. 022 - 13

[Declaring Support - Senator Dianne Feinstein's Assault Weapons Regulatory Act of 2013]

Resolution supporting Senator Dianne Feinstein's Assault Weapons Regulatory Act of 2013.

WHEREAS, In 1994, Congress enacted an assault weapons ban that prohibited the sale of certain semi-automatic weapons in order to reduce levels of violence in the United States; and

WHEREAS, In 2004, the assault weapons ban expired by operation of law and, to this date, has not been renewed by Congress; and

WHEREAS, Since the 2004 expiration of the ban, assault weapons have been used in at least 459 incidents, resulting in 385 deaths and 455 injuries; and

WHEREAS, In recent years random, mass gun violence has made the names of communities such as Tucson, Arizona, Aurora, Colorado, Virginia Tech, and Newton, Connecticut synonymous with senseless loss of life and serve injuries; and

WHEREAS, Weapons of war do not belong on our streets, in our theaters, shopping malls and, most of all, our schools; and

WHEREAS, On January 22, 2013, Senator Dianne Feinstein plans to introduce an update of the Federal Assault Weapons Ban, titled, the Assault Weapons Regulatory Act of 2013; and

WHEREAS, The Assault Weapons Regulatory Act of 2013 will ban the sale, transfer, importation, or manufacturing of: approximately 150 specifically named-firearms, certain other semiautomatic rifles, handguns, and shotguns that can accept a detachable magazine and have on military characteristic, semiautomatic rifled and handguns with a fixed magazine that

Supervisors Farrell, Chiu, Mar, Chu, Campos BOARD OF SUPERVISORS can accept more than ten rounds, and semiautomatic rifles that are shorter 30 inches in length; and

WHEREAS, The Assault Weapons Regulatory Act of 2013 strengthens Congress' 1994 Assault Weapons Ban and state bans by: moving from a 2-characteristic test to a 1characteristic test, eliminating the easy-to-remove bayonet mounts and flash suppressors from the characteristics test, banning firearms with "thumbhole stocks" and "bullet buttons" to address attempts to "work around" prior bans; and

WHEREAS, The Assault Weapons Regulatory Act of 2013 bans large capacity ammunition feeding devices capable of accepting more than 10 rounds, and;

WHEREAS, The Assault Weapons Regulatory Act of 2013 protects legitimate hunters and the rights of existing gun owners by: grandfathering weapons legally possessed on the date of the legislation's enactment, exempting over 900 specifically-names weapons used for hunting or sporting purposes, and exempting antique, manually-operated, and permanently disabled weapons; and

WHEREAS, The Assault Weapons Regulatory Act of 2013 requires that grandfathered weapons be registered under the National Firearms Act, to include: a background check of the gun owner and any transferee, the type and serial number of the firearm, positive identification, including photograph and fingerprint, certification from local law enforcement of identity and that possession would not violate State or local law, and dedicated funding for ATF to implement registration; and

WHEREAS, The Assault Weapons Regulatory Act of 2013 finally, bans the transfer of grandfathered large-capacity ammunition feeding devices; establishes a voluntary buy-back program for grandfathered assault weapons and large-capacity ammunition feeding devices; imposes a safe storage requirement for grandfathered firearms, and requires that assault weapons and large-capacity ammunition feeding devices manufactured after the date of the

Supervisors Farrell, Chiu BOARD OF SUPERVISORS bill's enactment be engraved with the serial number and date of manufacture of the weapon; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors commends Senator Dianne Feinstein for her leadership on gun control issues; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors calls on our local Congressional leaders to support Senator Dianne Feinstein's Assault Weapons Regulatory Act of 2013; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That as a city, San Francisco supports common sense gun control reform to ensure that all of our city's residents can enjoy a greater sense of safety in our city.



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January 29, 2013 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Avalos, Breed, Campos, Chiu, Chu, Cohen, Farrell, Kim, Mar, Wiener and Yee

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 1/29/2013 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

Unsigned

Mayor

February 8, 2013

Date Approved

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I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution, not being signed by the Mayor within the time limit as set forth in Section 3.103 of the Charter, or time waived pursuant to Board Rule 2.14.2, became effective without his approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter or Board Rule 2.14.2.

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