FILE NO. 220116

[Supporting California State Assembly Bill No. 452 (Friedman) - Pupil Safety: Parental Notification: Firearm Safety Laws]

Resolution supporting California State Assembly Bill No. 452, introduced by Assembly Member Friedman on February 8, 2021, that would require a school district, county office of education, and charter school to inform parents and guardians of pupils at the beginning of each semester or quarter of the regular school term, and during any new enrollment or transfer, of California's child access prevention laws and laws relating to the safe storage of firearms, as specified; and would require the State Department of Education, on or before July 1, 2023, to develop concise content for the notice regarding those child access prevention and safe storage of firearms laws.

WHEREAS, Gun violence is a national crisis and disproportionately affects youth and young adults; and

WHEREAS, Gun violence is the leading cause of death for children and teens in the United States; and

WHEREAS, On average, every year in the United States, nearly 350 children ages 17 and under gain access to a firearm and unintentionally shoot themselves or someone else, and, on average, every year nearly 700 children, 17 and under, die by suicide with a firearm; and

WHEREAS, San Francisco is not immune to the national gun violence epidemic, as our communities have seen a dramatic increase in gun violence within the past year; and

WHEREAS, Black Americans are disproportionately impacted by gun violence,

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experiencing 10 times the gun homicides, 18 times the gun assault injuries, and nearly 3 times the fatal police shootings of white Americans; and

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WHEREAS, BIPOC children and teens are four times more likely to die from gun violence than their white peers; and

WHEREAS, Most school shootings are committed using a firearm a student accessed at home or at the home of a close relative; and

WHEREAS, Firearm purchases have increased since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Evidence strongly suggests that secure firearm storage is an essential component to any effective strategy to keep schools and students safe; and

WHEREAS, Research shows that secure firearm storage practices are associated with up to an 85 percent reduction in the risk of unintentional firearm injuries among children and teens; and

WHEREAS, San Francisco Police Code, Section 4512, and California Penal Code, Section 25100, require that firearms are securely stored so that minors cannot gain access to them; and

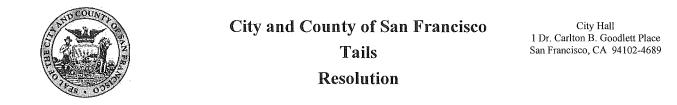
WHEREAS, The California State Superintendent has urged school districts to send secure gun storage information to parents and families; and

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Youth Commission unanimously called on the San Francisco schools to send home safe storage information; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors supports Assembly Bill No. 452 (AB 452); which would require a school district, county office of education, and charter school to inform parents and guardians of pupils at the beginning of each semester or quarter of the regular school term and during any new enrollment or transfer, of California's child access prevention laws and laws relating to the safe storage of firearms, as specified; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors urges the San Francisco Board of Education to share safe firearm storage information with families at the beginning of each semester or quarter of the regular school term and during any new enrollment or transfer; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors hereby directs the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors to transmit a copy of this Resolution to San Francisco's State Legislative Delegation, members of the San Francisco Board of Education, and to the City Lobbyist.



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February 01, 2022 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Chan, Haney, Mandelman, Mar, Melgar, Peskin, Preston, Ronen, Safai, Stefani and Walton

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 2/1/2022 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

Unsigned

London N. Breed Mayor 02/11/2022

Date Approved

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 her approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter or Board Rule 2.14.2.

A an Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

02/11/2022

Date

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