



Proclamation

Office of the Mayor, City of Mukilteo

GUN VIOLENCE AWARENESS DAY

June 2, 2016

WHEREAS, Mukilteo families have lost loved ones to gun violence, including deaths by suicide; and

WHEREAS, Protecting public safety in communities where they serve is a Mayor's greatest responsibility; and

WHEREAS, 91 Americans are killed every day by gun violence, leaving behind countless survivors whose lives are forever altered; and

WHEREAS, Hadiya Pendleton, a 15 year old high school student who marched in President Obama's inaugural parade in 2012, was tragically shot and killed in Chicago a week later. June 2, 2016 would have been Hadiya's 19th birthday; and

WHEREAS, A broad coalition of organizations, leaders, community members and activists have joined together to designate June 2nd as the second annual "National Gun Violence Awareness Day" to advocate for a country where every person can live a life free from gun violence; and

WHEREAS, Americans are encouraged to wear orange in honor of National Gun Violence Day to amplify and draw attention to efforts to reduce gun violence and save lives.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jennifer Gregerson, Mayor of the City of Mukilteo, recognize the local impact of gun violence and proclaim June 2, 2016 as *Gun Violence Awareness Day* in Mukilteo. I encourage all residents to wear orange and help advocate for a safe community, where every person can live a life free from gun violence.



Signed this 23rd Day of March 2016

Jennifer Gregerson
Mayor