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Office of the Mayor, City of Mukilteo

## National Gun Violence Survivors Week February 1-7, 2021

*WHEREAS,* every year, nearly 39,000 Americans are killed in acts of gun violence and nearly 85,000 more are shot and wounded;

*WHEREAS,* a gun violence survivor is anyone who has personally experienced gun violence – whether you have witnessed an act of gun violence, been threatened or wounded with a gun, or had someone you know and cared for wounded or killed; and

*WHEREAS,* forms of gun violence can include, but are not limited to: suicides, homicides, domestic violence involving a gun, and unintentional shootings; and

*WHEREAS,* Washington State legislators have introduced bills to prevent gun violence, such as Senator Liias' bill SB 5078, which would ban the possession and use of large-capacity firearm magazines in most circumstances; and

*WHEREAS,* local community groups like Moms Demand Action in Mukilteo have also engaged in efforts to raise awareness, speak out on issues and honor and support survivors of gun violence;

*WHEREAS,* by commemorating National Gun Violence Survivors Week on February 1 to February 7, we can help raise awareness about gun violence and honor the lives lost due to gun violence; and

*WHEREAS,* we renew our commitment to reduce gun violence and pledge to do all we can to prevent gun violence and encourage responsible gun ownership to help keep our communities safe.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** I, Jennifer Gregerson Mayor of the City of Mukilteo, hereby proclaim February 1 to February 7, 2021 to be National Gun Violence Survivors Week in the City of Mukilteo. We encourage all citizens to support their communities' efforts to prevent the tragic effects of gun violence.

Signed this 27th Day of January, 2021

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/ Jennifer Gregerson Mayor