

**BOROUGH OF ROSE VALLEY
DELAWARE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

RESOLUTION 6-2022

Urging State and Federal Lawmakers to Enact Stronger Gun Laws

WHEREAS, the United States continues to experience significant harm from gun violence with the availability of firearms being a prominent factor, and we look to our Federal and State lawmakers to do their part to help remediate the gun violence impacting our great nation and having a detrimental impact on our communities nationwide; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of Rose Valley feels that the Commonwealth and the Federal government can protect the lives of its citizens and at the same time recognize and protect gun owners' Second Amendment rights; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of Rose Valley is charged with securing the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the Borough, but is not recognized as having the legal authority to enact gun safety laws; and

WHEREAS, according to statistics compiled by the Brady Project, an average of more than 321 people are shot and 111 people die from gun violence on a daily basis, and 117,345 people are shot, including 7,957 children and teens, and 40,620 people die from gun violence annually in the United States;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Borough of Rose Valley calls upon legislators in the Pennsylvania House of Representatives, the Pennsylvania Senate, the United States House of Representatives, and the United States Senate to enact laws to reduce gun violence, including:

- Preventing known and suspected terrorists, those convicted of violent hate crimes, those with a history of mental illness and those with a history of domestic abuse from illegally buying guns.
- Ensuring that background checks are required on all sales, including online and at gun shows. In Pennsylvania, preserve the provisions of the Pennsylvania Instant Check System (PICS) which provides instant access to background records.
- Require trigger locks on all firearms in homes where minors are present.
- Ban access to assault-style weapons.
- Reduce the number of permissible cartridges in a clip or magazine.

FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED, we believe that these steps can be taken without infringing upon the use of firearms for self-protection and legitimate hunting or other sporting purposes, and this resolution shall be distributed to the following individuals holding elected office:

President Joseph R. Biden

Governor Tom Wolf

United States Senator Robert Casey

United States Senator Pat Toomey

Congresswoman Mary Gay Scanlon

Pennsylvania State Senator John Kane

Pennsylvania State Representative Leanne Krueger

ADOPTED THIS TENTH DAY OF AUGUST, 2022.

BOROUGH OF ROSE VALLEY

David Firn, President

ATTEST:

Paula Healy, Secretary

APPROVED:

William C. Hale, Mayor