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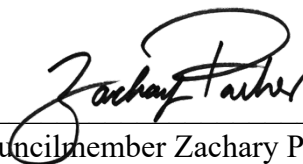
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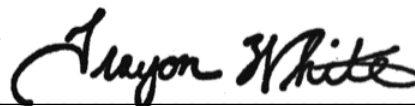
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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To recognize the month of June 2024 as “Gun Violence Awareness Month” in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Hadiya Pendleton, a teenager from Chicago who marched in the presidential inaugural parade in January 2013 and was tragically shot and killed weeks later, should be celebrating her 27<sup>th</sup> birthday this year;

44 WHEREAS, to help honor Hadiya and to raise awareness of the epidemic of gun violence  
45 in the United States, a national coalition of organizations has designated the first Friday in  
46 June as National Gun Violence Awareness Day and the month of June as Gun Violence  
47 Awareness Month;

48 WHEREAS, there are an average of nearly 60 gun homicides across the country each  
49 day, and nearly 100 Americans are harmed by guns every day;

50 WHEREAS, in the District of Columbia in 2023, 235 people were killed by gunfire and  
51 749 more were injured;

52 WHEREAS, in the District of Columbia in 2023, 16 children were killed by gunfire and  
53 93 more were injured;

54 WHEREAS, gun violence is a disease and public health crisis and “prevention” means  
55 the absence of that disease; and

56 WHEREAS, the Council encourages all District residents to look for ways to support  
57 their local communities’ efforts to prevent the tragic effects of gun violence and honor and  
58 value precious human life:

59 RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this  
60 resolution may be cited as the “Gun Violence Awareness Month Recognition Resolution of  
61 2024.”

62 Sec. 2. The Council declares the month of June 2024 as “Gun Violence Awareness  
63 Month” in the District of Columbia.

64 Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in  
65 the District of Columbia Register.