RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING EFFORTS TO REDUCE GUN VIOLENCE AND ILLEGAL FIREARMS TRAFFICKING THROUGH MORE RESPONSIBLE GUN SALES AND MARKETING PRACTICES AND TO ENCOURAGE THE CONSIDERATION OF SALES AND MARKETING SAFEGUARDS; AND DIRECTING THE CITY CLERK TO SEND A CERTIFIED COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION TO ALL SOUTH FLORIDA MUNICIPALITIES, THE FLORIDA LEAGUE OF CITIES, INC., ALL MEMBERS OF FLORIDA'S CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION, AND TO THE OBAMA ADMINISTRATION; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND FOR ALL OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, according to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, gun murders in Florida rose forty-four (44) percent between 2000 and 2012 and guns are used in more than seventy-one (71) percent of Florida homicides, up from fifty-six (56) percent in 2000; and

WHEREAS, according to Bureau of Justice statistics, more than seventy (70) percent of homicides in the United States each year are committed with a gun; and

WHEREAS, according to data from the Brady Campaign to Prevent Gun Violence, on an average day in the U.S., guns are used to shoot almost three hundred (300) people, killing more than eighty (80) of them; and

WHEREAS, firearms often fall into criminal hands by means of "straw purchases" in which a friend or family member passes the required background check imposed by federally-licensed dealers, and purchases a gun for a third-person who could not pass the background check; and

WHEREAS, according to a recent study published in the Journal of Public Policy and Marketing, responsible practices by gun manufacturers and distributors help to prevent guns from falling into criminal hands, thus helping to reduce the incidence of gun violence; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City of North Miami, joining other Miami-Dade County municipalities, commend the voluntary efforts of responsible gun manufacturers and distributors who contribute to reducing gun violence and gun-related crimes in our

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communities, and support the growing coalition of municipalities in favor of initiatives to reduce gun violence and illegal firearms trafficking.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA:

Section 1. **Recitals.** The recitals stated above are adopted by reference and confirmed.

Section 2. **Support of Mayor and City Council.** The Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, hereby support efforts to reduce gun violence and illegal firearms trafficking through responsible gun sales and marketing practices.

Section 3. **Direction to City Manager.** The City Manager is directed to coordinate with the Chief of Police to partner with other municipalities in support of this initiative and to work with gun and ammunition suppliers to encourage broader adoption of best practices safeguards associated with firearm and ammunition sales and marketing.

Section 4. **Direction to City Clerk.** The City Clerk is directed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to all South Florida municipalities, the Florida League of Cities, Inc., all members of Florida's Congressional Delegation, and to the Obama Administration.

Section 5. **Effective Date.** This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by a _____ vote of the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, this _____ day of March 2014.

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LUCIE M. TONDREAU
MAYOR

ATTEST:

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MICHAEL A. ETIENNE, ESQ.
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND
LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

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REGINE M. MONESTIME
CITY ATTORNEY

SPONSORED BY: MAYOR LUCIE TONDREAU AND COUNCILPERSON SCOTT GALVIN

Moved by: _____

Seconded by: _____

Vote:

Mayor Lucie M. Tondreau	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)
Vice Mayor Philippe Bien-Aime	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)
Councilperson Scott Galvin	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)
Councilperson Carol Keys, Esq.	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)
Councilperson Marie Erlande Steril	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)