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LAW DEPARTMENT
DRAFT NO. 0259

A RESOLUTION STRONGLY OPPOSING THE OHIO GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S PASSAGE AND GOVERNOR DEWINE'S SIGNING INTO LAW SENATE BILL 215, THAT PUTS OHIO CITIZENS AT RISK BY ALLOWING QUALIFYING ADULTS TO CARRY CONCEALED HANDGUNS WITHOUT A LICENSE AND NECESSARY SAFETY TRAINING; AND URGING THE OHIO GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO REPEAL THIS LAW.

RESOLUTION NO. 4693/2022

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 215, passed by the Ohio General Assembly and signed by Governor DeWine, will take effect on June 13, 2022, allowing Ohioans 21 years and older to carry concealed handguns without a license and the necessary safety training; and

WHEREAS, this bill also eliminates the requirement for a concealed handgun carrier to notify a police officer that they are armed when stopped, unless asked by the officer; and

WHEREAS, current Ohio law, requires a license to carry a concealed handgun across Ohio that includes eight hours of necessary safety and firing training, which would be rendered optional; and

WHEREAS, this bill was passed and signed over objections from law enforcement groups, including the Fraternal Order of Police of Ohio, county sheriffs, and Ohio Mayors Alliance, emphasizing the danger that taking away licensing and training requirements poses to law enforcement officers and communities; and

WHEREAS, gun violence is considered to be one of the major threats to public health and safety in communities across the county and Ohio; and

WHEREAS, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the rate for firearm deaths in the State of Ohio was 15.2 per 100,000 in 2020, which exceeded the national rate of 12.0; NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Warren, State of Ohio:

Section 1: That this Council strongly opposes the Ohio General Assembly's passage and Governor DeWine's signing into law Senate Bill 215, that puts Ohio citizens at risk by allowing qualifying adults to carry concealed handguns without a license and necessary safety training; and urging the Ohio General Assembly to repeal this law.

Section 2: That this Council directs the Clerk of Council to transmit copies of this Resolution to the Ohio General Assembly, members of the Northeast Ohio Legislative Delegation, and to Governor Mike DeWine.

Section 3: This Council finds and determines that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of the Council and of any of its Committees comprised of a majority of the members of the Council that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with the law.

Section 4: That this Resolution shall go into immediate effect.

SIGNED: [Signature] Passed in Council this 25th day of MAY, 2022.
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL ATTEST: [Signature]
CLERK

FILED WITH THE MAYOR: 5-25-2022

DATE APPROVED: 5-25-2022

[Signature]
MAYOR, CITY OF WARREN, OHIO