

# PROCLAMATION



## Office of the Mayor

**WHEREAS**, every year over 36,000 people in the U.S. are killed in acts of gun violence, and 73,000 more are shot and wounded; and

**WHEREAS**, by early February more people across the nation are killed with guns than are killed in our peer countries in an entire calendar year; and

**WHEREAS**, forms of gun violence can include gun suicides, gun homicides, domestic violence involving a gun, law enforcement-involved shootings, and intentional and unintentional shootings; and

**WHEREAS**, 58 percent of adults or someone they care for has experienced gun violence, demonstrating the reach and impact gun violence has in communities across the nation; and

**WHEREAS**, firearms are the second leading cause of death for children and teens and the first leading cause of death for Black children and teens; and

**WHEREAS**, people in cities across the nation are working to end senseless violence by advocating for common-sense gun safety legislation.


**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT I, JACOB A. WOODFORD**, Mayor of the City of Appleton, Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim February 1-7, 2021 as

## Gun Violence Survivor Week

in Appleton and encourage all residents to raise awareness about gun violence, renew our commitment to reduce gun violence and keep firearms out of the wrong hands, and encourage responsible gun ownership.

Signed and sealed this 29<sup>th</sup> day of January 2021.



  
**JACOB A. WOODFORD**  
MAYOR OF APPLETON