



SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL

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Title: A RESOLUTION supporting Washington Initiative Measure 1491 and urging Seattle voters to vote "Yes" on Initiative 1491 on the November 8, 2016 general election ballot.

Notes:

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Mayor's Signature: 9/16/2016

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Attachments:

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1	Mayor	08/30/2016	Mayor's leg transmitted to Council	City Clerk			
1	City Clerk	08/30/2016	sent for review	Council President's Office			
	Action Text:	The Resolution (Res) was sent for review. to the Council President's Office					
	Notes:						
1	Council President's Office	09/01/2016	sent for review	Full Council			
	Action Text:	The Resolution (Res) was sent for review. to the Full Council					
	Notes:						
1	Full Council	09/06/2016	referred	Full Council			
1	Full Council	09/12/2016	adopted				Pass
	Action Text:	The Motion carried, the Resolution (Res) was adopted by the following vote, and the President signed the Resolution:					
	Notes:						

PUBLIC COMMENT ON RESOLUTION 31702

In accordance with Revised Code of Washington 42.17A.555, and Seattle Municipal Code 2.04.300, Council President Harrell provided the public an opportunity to speak in favor of or in opposition to Resolution 31702.

Cynthia Linet addressed the Council in opposition of Resolution 31702.

Public Comment on Resolution 31702 was closed.

Motion was made and duly seconded to adopt Resolution 31702.

In Favor: 9 Councilmember Bagshaw, Councilmember Burgess, Councilmember González , Council President Harrell, Councilmember Herbold, Councilmember Johnson, Councilmember Juarez, Councilmember O'Brien, Councilmember Sawant

Opposed: 0

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| 1 | City Clerk | 09/14/2016 | submitted for
Mayor's signature | Mayor |
| 1 | Mayor | 09/16/2016 | Signed | |
| | Action Text: | | The Resolution (Res) was Signed. | |
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| 1 | Mayor | 09/16/2016 | returned | City Clerk |
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| 1 | City Clerk | 09/16/2016 | attested by City
Clerk | |
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CITY OF SEATTLE

RESOLUTION 31702

A RESOLUTION supporting Washington Initiative Measure 1491 and urging Seattle voters to vote “Yes” on Initiative 1491 on the November 8, 2016 general election ballot.

WHEREAS, gun injuries and deaths in Washington State are a significant public health problem with approximately 600 people killed by guns each year over the past decade, and in 2010 more people in Washington State died by guns (609) than in traffic accidents (554); and

WHEREAS, a majority of mass shooters over the last 20 years have shown signs of serious crisis prior to taking fatal action and nearly 80 percent of those attempting suicide make their intentions known before an attempt; and

WHEREAS, survivors and family members from the 2014 University of California, Santa Barbara shooting, the 2013 Café Racer shooting in Seattle, and the 2006 Jewish Federation of Seattle shooting – as well as parents and family members of shooters and suicide victims – have stated that laws like Extreme Risk Protection Orders could have prevented their tragedies; and

WHEREAS, family members, household members, and law enforcement officers are often in the best position to see early warning signs of dangerous, violent, and threatening behavior; and

WHEREAS, The City of Seattle is committed to reducing gun violence through engaging on policies of regional, state, and national scale that can address this crisis; and

WHEREAS, Initiative 1491 is modeled on successful laws around the country and based on the well-established Washington state system of protection in order to fill gaps in the system

1 that allow people experiencing crisis or demonstrating violent behavior to possess and
2 purchase firearms; and

3 WHEREAS, Initiative 1491 is an initiative to the people in Washington State that would create

4 Extreme Risk Protection Orders, which will allow families and law enforcement to
5 petition a court to temporarily suspend a person's access to firearms if there is
6 documented evidence that an individual is threatening harm to themselves or others
7 because of dangerous mental illness or at high risk of violent behavior; and

8 WHEREAS, after notice in accordance with RCW 42.17A.555 and Seattle Municipal Code
9 Section 2.04.300, persons in favor of Initiative 1491 and those opposed to it have been
10 given an equal opportunity to share their views in an open public meeting, NOW,

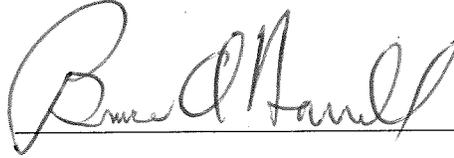
11 THEREFORE,

12 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEATTLE, THE**
13 **MAYOR CONCURRING, THAT:**

14 Section 1. The Mayor and City Council support creating Extreme Risk Protection Orders,
15 allowing family members and law enforcement to petition a court to remove firearms from
16 individuals who present a serious danger to themselves or to others.

17 Section 2. The Mayor and City Council urge Seattle voters to vote "Yes" on Initiative
18 1491 in the November 8, 2016 general election.

1 Adopted by the City Council the 12th day of September, 2016,
2 and signed by me in open session in authentication of its adoption this 12th day of
3 September, 2016.

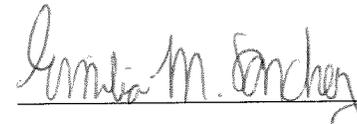
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5 President _____ of the City Council

6 The Mayor concurred the 16th day of September, 2016.

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8 Edward B. Murray, Mayor

9 Filed by me this 16th day of September, 2016.

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11 for Monica Martinez Simmons, City Clerk

12 (Seal)