

1 CITY OF SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

2 RESOLUTION NO. 2016-41

3 INTRODUCED BY:

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5 Councilor Signe I. Lindell Mayor Javier M. Gonzales
6 Councilor Mike Harris Councilor Joseph M. Maestas
7 Councilor Renee D. Villarreal Councilor Peter N. Ives

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10 A RESOLUTION

11 IN SUPPORT OF NATIONAL GUN VIOLENCE AWARENESS DAY ON JUNE 2, 2016;
12 AND REQUESTING THAT THE CITY MANAGER HAVE THE PLAZA LIT UP WITH
13 ORANGE LIGHTS; AND WAIVING ASSOCIATED PARK FEES.

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15 WHEREAS, every day, 48 children and teens are shot in murders, assaults, suicides and
16 suicide attempts, unintentional shootings, and police intervention – of those 48, seven die from
17 gun violence and 41 are shot but survive the ordeal (Brady Campaign); and

18 WHEREAS, every day 297 people in the United States are shot in murders, assaults,
19 suicides and suicide attempts, unintentional shootings, and police intervention, of which 91 die
20 and 208 are shot but survive the ordeal (Brady Campaign); and

21 WHEREAS, every year 32,51 people die in the United States as a result of gun violence
22 – 11,294 are murdered, 19,992 kill themselves, 561 are killed unintentionally, 414 are killed by
23 police intervention (Brady Campaign); and

24 WHEREAS, Americans are 25 times more likely to be murdered with guns than people
25 in other developed countries; and

1 **WHEREAS**, the Violence Policy Center has found that for every on justifiable homicide
2 by firearm in the United States, 44 criminal homicides occurred by firearm, and does not take into
3 account lives lost due to suicide and accidental shootings; and

4 **WHEREAS**, a study by Charles Branas in the American Journal of Public Health in
5 2009 found that individuals in possession of a gun were 4.5 times more likely to be shot in an
6 assault than those not in possession; and

7 **WHEREAS**, in 2015 68 mayors and over 150 organizations participated in National Gun
8 Violence Awareness Day, a movement to bring national awareness of the need to reform our gun
9 laws; and

10 **WHEREAS**, protecting public safety in the communities they serve is a mayors' highest
11 responsibility; and

12 **WHEREAS**, by increasing awareness of this issue and showing national leaders that
13 there is public support for increased background checks for firearm purchases, and support for a
14 renewal of the assault weapons ban, the public can counter the influence pro-gun groups have on
15 our nationally elected leaders; and

16 **WHEREAS**, municipalities around the country will commemorate National Gun
17 Violence Awareness Day by bathing local landmarks in orange light, or recognizing the
18 importance of the day in other meaningful ways; and

19 **WHEREAS**, all citizens are encouraged to show their support for National Gun Violence
20 Awareness Day by donning orange on June 2, 2016 be it a shirt, tie, pin or button; and

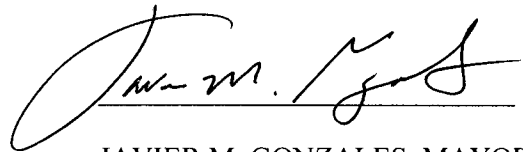
21 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE**
22 **CITY OF SANTA FE** that the Governing Body is in full support of National Gun Violence
23 Awareness Day on June 2, 2016 and expresses its support for enhanced background checks on all
24 sales of firearms within the United States.

25 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the City Manager is requested to have the Plaza

1 area lit up with orange lights on June 2, 2016 in recognition of National Gun Violence Awareness
2 Day..

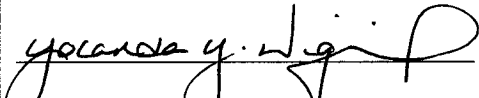
3 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that all associated park fees for hosting National gun
4 Violence Awareness Day on the Santa Fe Plaza shall be waived.

5 PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 25th day of May, 2016.


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9 JAVIER M. GONZALES, MAYOR

10 ATTEST:

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13 YOLANDA Y. VIGIL, CITY CLERK

14 APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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17 KELLEY A. BRENNAN, CITY ATTORNEY