

119TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

# S. RES. \_\_\_\_\_

Expressing support for the designation of June 5, 2026, as “National Gun Violence Awareness Day” and June 2026 as “National Gun Violence Awareness Month”.

---

## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. PADILLA, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. KAINE, Mr. GALLEGRO, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Ms. ALSOBROOKS, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. WELCH, Mr. BOOKER, and Mr. WHITEHOUSE) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

---

# RESOLUTION

Expressing support for the designation of June 5, 2026, as “National Gun Violence Awareness Day” and June 2026 as “National Gun Violence Awareness Month”.

Whereas each year in the United States—

- (1) nearly 47,000 individuals are killed and nearly 97,000 individuals are wounded by gunfire;
- (2) nearly 19,000 individuals are killed in homicides involving guns;
- (3) nearly 27,000 individuals die by suicide using a gun; and
- (4) more than 400 individuals are killed in unintentional shootings;

Whereas, since 1968, more individuals have died from guns in the United States than have died on the battlefields of all the wars in the history of the United States;

Whereas, in 2025, nearly 15,000 people were killed in gun homicides or nonsuicide-related shootings;

Whereas, in 2025, more than 230 people were unintentionally shot by a child under 18;

Whereas, by one count, in 2025 in the United States, there were at least 406 mass shooting incidents in which at least 4 people were killed or wounded by gunfire;

Whereas, nationwide, more than 88,000 military veterans died by gun suicide from 2004 to 2023;

Whereas, every year in the United States, more than 4,400 children and teens are killed by gun violence, and more than 17,000 children and teens are shot and wounded;

Whereas more than 15,000 people in the United States under the age of 30 die because of gun violence annually, including Hadiya Pendleton, who, in 2013, was killed at 15 years of age in Chicago, Illinois, while standing in a park;

Whereas, on June 5, 2026, to recognize the 29th birthday of Hadiya Pendleton (born June 2, 1997), people across the United States will recognize National Gun Violence Awareness Day and wear orange in tribute to—

- (1) Hadiya Pendleton and other victims of gun violence; and
- (2) the loved ones of those victims; and

Whereas June 2026 is an appropriate month to designate as “National Gun Violence Awareness Month”: Now, therefore, be it

1        *Resolved*, That the Senate—

1 (1) supports—

2 (A) the designation of June 2026 as “Na-  
3 tional Gun Violence Awareness Month” and the  
4 goals and ideals of that month; and

5 (B) the designation of June 5, 2026, as  
6 “National Gun Violence Awareness Day”, in re-  
7 membrance of the victims of gun violence; and

8 (2) calls on the people of the United States  
9 to—

10 (A) promote greater awareness of gun vio-  
11 lence and gun safety;

12 (B) wear orange, the color that hunters  
13 wear to show that they are not targets, on Na-  
14 tional Gun Violence Awareness Day;

15 (C) concentrate heightened attention on  
16 gun violence during the summer months, when  
17 gun violence typically increases; and

18 (D) bring community members and leaders  
19 together to discuss ways to make communities  
20 safer.