

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE

**Calling the Michigan Legislature to Action on Gun Violence
Prevention Legislation**

RESOLUTION

At a regular meeting of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, held at the Meridian Municipal Building, in said Township on the 7th day of June, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. local time.

PRESENT: Supervisor Jackson, Treasurer Deschaine, Trustees Hendrickson, Sundland, Wilson

ABSENT: Clerk Guthrie, Trustee Wisinski

The following Resolution was offered by Trustee Hendrickson and supported by Treasurer Deschaine.

WHEREAS, the tragedy in Uvalde directly led to the deaths of 19 children and 2 adults; and

WHEREAS, that shooting is the 27th school shooting this year with injuries and deaths and is the 288th school shooting in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the rest of the world combined accounts for a total of 45 for all time; and

WHEREAS, the United States has been victim to 212 mass shootings this year, which is more than 10 mass shootings each week; and

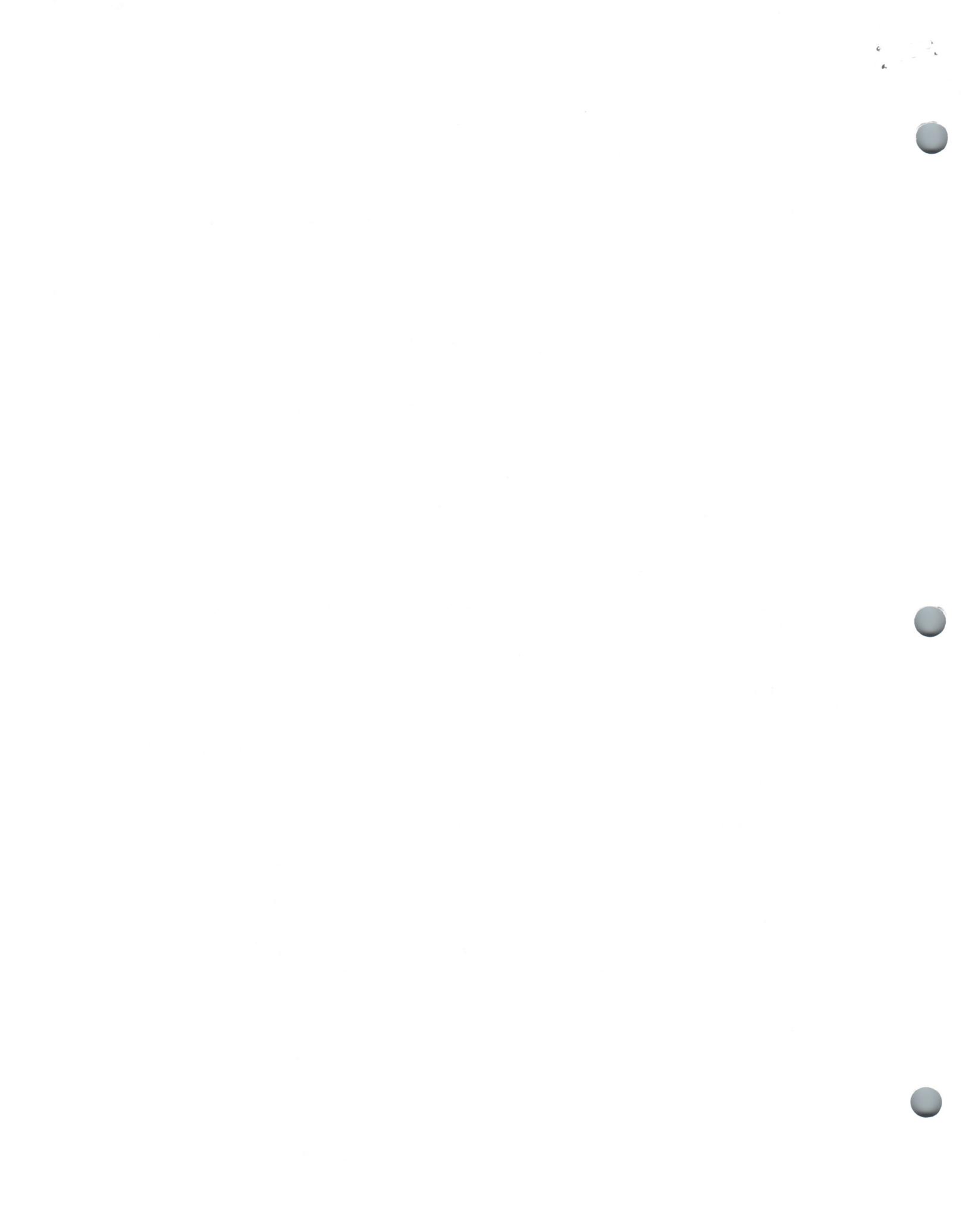
WHEREAS, mass shootings in the United States have risen dramatically over the last three years, with 417 mass shootings in 2019, 611 mass shootings in 2020 and 693 mass shootings in 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Meridian Township Board of Trustees voted to establish the first Friday of June each year as National Gun Violence Awareness Day in 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board encouraged and continues to encourage all citizens to support their local community's efforts to prevent the tragic effects of gun violence and to honor and value human lives; and

WHEREAS, there is more that our legislature and Congress can and should do to curtail gun violence in our communities and schools through small, yet sensible, restrictions;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, that the Township Board condemns acts of gun violence in our community and throughout our state; and,



FURTHER RESOLVE, that it is the sense of the Township Board that the State Legislature and Congress must do more to protect our residents and students by passing common sense gun control reforms to prevent the next acts of gun violence, including preventing acts of gun violence in our schools; and,

FURTHER RESOLVE, that the Township Board urges the State Legislature and Congress to enact universal background checks legislation, red flag legislation, renew the ban on assault weapons and enact safe storage laws immediately; and,

FURTHER RESOLVE, that the Township Clerk transmit copies of this resolution to Meridian Township's state and federal legislative delegation, and the Governor of the State of Michigan.

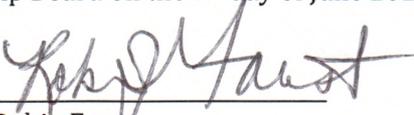
ADOPTED:

YEAS: Supervisor Jackson, Treasurer Deschaine, Trustees Hendrickson, Sundland, Wilson

NAYS: _____

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
) ss:
COUNTY OF INGHAM)

I, the undersigned, the duly qualified and acting Clerk for the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted at a regular meeting of the Township Board on the 7th day of June 2022.



Robin Faust
Meridian Township Deputy Clerk

