

CITY OF NEWPORT
RESOLUTION
OF THE
COUNCIL

No. _____

WHEREAS: Current state law allows Concealed Carry Permit (“CCP”) holders to carry firearms onto school grounds; and recognizing the vast majority of states do not permit firearms on school grounds; AND

WHEREAS: Rhode Island General Assembly bills H 7243 and S 2761 support proposals that would disallow non-law enforcement personnel to carry concealed firearms onto school grounds; AND

WHEREAS: A two year comprehensive Final Report of the Sandy Hook Advisory Commission, consisting of school administrators, teachers, law enforcement, psychiatrists, law makers and legal professionals, dated February 2015, made findings including “Safe School Climate” and “Safe School Design and Operations Strategies” that specifically did not include the use of firearms or the of arming teachers or non-law enforcement civilians in schools; AND

WHEREAS: the RI League of Cities and Towns, RI School Committee Executive Board and the RI Superintendents Association support this legislation,

WHEREAS: Newport Municipal leadership has carefully considered and monitored regularly audited school and district wide building safety plan and emergency protocols inclusive of first responders, local law enforcement and the school community;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED: That copies of this resolution be sent by the City Clerk to our State delegation, and to all the cities and towns in the State of Rhode Island.

JEANNE-MARIE NAPOLITANO
MARCO T. CAMACHO
JUSTIN S. MCLAUGHLIN

IN COUNCIL
READ AND PASSED

Laura C. Swistak
City Clerk