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MAYOR MINER DECLARES JUNE “GUN VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH”

Proclamation is Part of Statewide Effort to Create Statewide Gun Violence Education and Awareness Month

Miner: Our Priority Must Be to Stop the Violence

SYRACUSE, N.Y. – Mayor Stephanie A. Miner has issued a proclamation declaring June to be Gun Violence Awareness Month.

“I am proud to designate the month of June as Gun Violence Awareness Month to continue our community dialogue about ending the scourge of gun violence on our streets,” said Mayor Stephanie A. Miner. “Our priority must be to stop the violence in our streets and in our cities.”

This proclamation is part of a statewide effort to proclaim Gun Violence Awareness Month. Companion legislation creating an awareness month will be introduced in Albany today. The goal of Gun Violence Awareness Month is to spur education and dialogue opportunities in schools and communities

The text of Mayor Miner’s proclamation can be read below:

WHEREAS, the people of the City of Syracuse and the State of New York have the right to live in communities and homes in which they are comfortable in their safety; and,

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WHEREAS, more young Americans are unnecessarily killed each and every day by preventable acts of senseless gun violence and gun violence is expected to outgrow ; and,

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control predicts that by 2015, deaths by gun violence will outnumber deaths from motor vehicle accidents across the country; and,

WHEREAS, curbing the serious problem gun violence presents to our community can only be done by having a meaningful dialogue on our streets; and,

WHEREAS, political, community, faith, and law enforcement leaders have a sacred responsibility to do whatever possible and necessary to foster conversation

NOW, THEREFORE, I, STEPHANIE A. MINER, Mayor of the City of Syracuse, do hereby proclaim the Month of June as

*GUN VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH
In the City of Syracuse*

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Syracuse to be imprinted this Fifteenth Day of April, Two Thousand Thirteen.

[SIGNED] Stephanie A. Miner, Mayor

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