

***Mayoral Proclamation
Recognizing
2025 National Gun Violence Awareness Day***

WHEREAS, National Gun Violence Awareness Day, observed on the first Friday in June, unites communities nationwide in remembrance of those we have lost, support for survivors, and resolve to create a future free from gun violence; and

WHEREAS, the City of Warren recognizes that every resident deserves to live free from the threat of gun violence; and

WHEREAS, in 2024, the City of Warren experienced 42 incidents involving shootings or shots fired, and 7 lives were lost to gun involved violence. So far in 2025, there have been 8 gun related incidents with no reported deaths—highlighting the importance of sustained, proactive efforts to protect lives; and

WHEREAS, the City of Warren reaffirms our commitment to building safer, healthier communities through community engagement, prevention programs, intervention strategies, and common-sense safety measures; and

WHEREAS, protecting public safety in our communities requires collective efforts that include responsible gun ownership, safe storage, youth education, trauma-informed services, and strong community partnerships to reduce and prevent future tragedies; and

WHEREAS, the City of Warren Police Department recognizes Operation Cycle Break, a coordinated initiative involving the Macomb County Prosecutor's Office, 37th District Court, Turning Point, Wayne State University, as well as additional community partners; this program is designed to interrupt cycles of violence, support survivors, hold offenders accountable, and provide meaningful opportunities for those seeking to break cycles of violence; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mayor Lori M. Stone do hereby proclaim Friday, June 6, 2025, as National Gun Violence Awareness Day in the City of Warren, and urge all residents to reflect on lives lost, support those affected, and stand together in the effort to end gun violence.

FURTHERMORE, I ask all residents to wear orange on this day, raise awareness, and call for action.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Warren to be affixed this on the sixth day of June, in the year Two Thousand Twenty-Five.

Lori M. Stone
Mayor of Warren, Michigan
June 6, 2025