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**City of Warren Observes National Gun Violence Awareness Day
Mayor Lori M. Stone Issues Proclamation Calling for Community Reflection and Action**

WARREN, MI (June 6, 2025) – Today, Mayor Lori M. Stone formally proclaimed June 6, 2025, as National Gun Violence Awareness Day in the City of Warren, joining communities across the country in honoring the lives lost to gun violence and standing in solidarity with survivors.

The proclamation acknowledges the impact gun violence has had on Warren. In 2024, the city experienced 42 gun-related incidents, resulting in seven lives lost. While 2025 has thus far seen a decrease, with eight reported incidents and no fatalities, Mayor Stone emphasized that prevention and public safety must remain a top priority.

“Every resident of Warren deserves to live free from the threat of gun violence,” said Mayor Stone. “Today we remember those we’ve lost, support the survivors among us, and recommit ourselves to building safer neighborhoods through prevention, education, and community partnership.”

Mayor Stone’s proclamation also affirms support for Operation Cycle Break, a multi-agency violence prevention initiative led by the Warren Police Department in partnership with the Macomb County Prosecutor’s Office, 37th District Court, Turning Point, Wayne State University, and other community organizations. The program focuses on interrupting cycles of violence, connecting individuals to critical resources, and creating meaningful pathways to safety, accountability, and healing.

Residents are encouraged to wear orange today—a color that symbolizes the value of human life and unites people across the country in the movement to end gun violence. City Hall will be illuminated in orange throughout the weekend in solidarity with communities nationwide.

Free gun safety locks are available to residents at both the Warren Police Department and the Mayor’s Office to help promote secure firearm storage and reduce the risk of accidental injury or death.

This is a collective issue that demands a united, community-driven response. The City of Warren continues to work with residents, educators, health professionals, and law enforcement to support common-sense solutions that reduce harm and foster a culture of safety and respect. For more information on Operation Cycle Break or to obtain a free gun lock, contact the Warren Police Department or visit the Mayor’s Office at City Hall.

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