SENATE RESOLUTION No.

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

A SENATE RESOLUTION recognizing Moms Demand Action and Students Demand Action as two organizations that have demonstrated an unwavering commitment to advocating for common-sense gun legislation and ending the epidemic of gun violence in our communities.

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MADAM PRESIDENT:

I offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

1 A SENATE RESOLUTION recognizing Moms Demand 2 Action and Students Demand Action as two organizations that 3 have demonstrated an unwavering commitment to advocating 4 for common-sense gun legislation and ending the epidemic of 5 gun violence in our communities.

6 Whereas, Following the Sandy Hook tragedy in 2012, 7 where a gunman entered an elementary school and took the 8 lives of twenty children and six educators, Shannon Watts 9 founded Moms Demand Action as a grassroots movement to 10 empower and mobilize individuals to fight for stronger gun 11 laws and safer communities;

Whereas, With chapters in every state and nearly 10 million
supporters, Moms Demand Action, through its advocacy efforts,
has been instrumental in securing important victories at the
state and federal levels, including the passage of red flag laws
and expanding background checks;

Whereas, Students Demand Action is a student-led initiative
that is part of Moms Demand Action and works to empower
young people to take action on gun violence prevention;



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Whereas, Students Demand Action has successfully
 organized rallies and events across the country and has been a
 powerful voice in the fight for gun reform;

- 4 Whereas, Estimates show that 4.6 million American 5 children live in a home where at least one gun is kept loaded 6 and unlocked;
- 7 Whereas, Guns are the leading cause of death among
 8 children in the United States;
- 9 Whereas, In 2022 alone, 43,000 students were exposed to 10 an active shooter event, in which a total of 34 children and 11 adults died from gunshot wounds;

Whereas, The tireless efforts of Moms Demand Action and Students Demand Action have helped shine a light on the devastating toll that gun violence takes on our communities and by speaking out and demanding action, these organizations have inspired others to get involved in protecting their communities; and

18 Whereas, Given the rising trend in gun-related deaths in 19 Indiana and the current laws that allow such deadly weapons 20 to proliferate unimpeded, the Indiana chapters of Moms 21 Demand Action and Students Demand Action play a critical 22 role in advocating for legislative reforms to ensure that young 23 Hoosiers are secure in their homes and their schools: 24 Therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the
General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

27 SECTION 1. That the Indiana Senate recognizes and 28 commends Moms Demand Action and Students Demand

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- 1 Action for their outstanding work and advocacy efforts to end
- 2 gun violence in our communities.
- 3 SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed
- 4 to transmit copies of this Resolution to the Indiana chapters of
- 5 Moms Demand Action and Students Demand Action.

