

**RECOGNIZING NATIONAL GUN VIOLENCE SURVIVORS WEEK**

*WHEREAS, National Gun Violence Survivors Week is January 22 through January 26, 2025, and is a time to lift up the stories of gun violence survivors who live with the trauma of gun violence every single day; and*

*WHEREAS, gun violence in any form leaves an enduring mark on the lives of those who are impacted with nearly 1 in 2 survivors indicating that they need support, services, or assistance to cope with the impact of gun violence; and*

*WHEREAS, we are a nation of survivors – whether someone has witnessed an act of gun violence, been threatened or wounded with a gun, or had someone they cared for wounded or killed with a gun; and*

*WHEREAS, inequities in our justice, health, housing, and educational institutions, along with generations of discrimination and disinvestments, have fueled gun violence in black and brown communities; and*

*WHEREAS, in 2025 we recognize the 7<sup>th</sup> annual National Gun Violence Survivors Week and every day in America at least 120 people are shot and killed, more than 200 are shot and wounded, and countless others experience the collective trauma of gun violence; and*

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that Mayor Eddie Flores and the City Council of South San Francisco do hereby proclaim January 22 – January 26, 2025, as National Gun Violence Survivors Week in South San Francisco and uplift gun violence survivors, hearing their stories and allowing them to lead the way to a brighter and safer future.*

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*Eddie Flores, Mayor*

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*Mark Addiego, Vice Mayor*

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*James Coleman, Councilmember*

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*Mark Nagales, Councilmember*

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*Buenafior Nicolas, Councilmember*