[ASK (Asking Saves Kids) Day - June 21, 2014]

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Resolution declaring June 21, 2014, as "ASK (Asking Saves Kids) Day" in the City and County of San Francisco to raise awareness about the dangers of unlocked guns in the home and to empower parents to ask about the presence of guns in order to keep our children safe.

WHEREAS, The epidemic of gun violence is plaguing our nation's children and claiming nine children and teen lives a day; and

WHEREAS, Over one third of American homes with children have guns, many kept unlocked and loaded, and every years thousands of kids are killed and injured as a result; and

WHEREAS, Eighty percent of unintentional firearm deaths of children under 15 occur in a home; and

WHEREAS, Children in the United States are more likely to die of gun violence than from all natural causes combined; and

WHEREAS, The ASK (Asking Saves Kids) Campaign urges parents to ASK their neighbors, friends, and relatives if there is a gun in their home before sending a child over to play; and

WHEREAS, Parents ask all sorts of questions before their children visit other homes; they ask about pets in the house, discuss allergies and Internet access, and ask questions about supervision; ASK encourages parents to add one more question to this conversation: "Is there an unlocked gun in your house?"; it's a simple question and it has the power to save a child's life; and

WHEREAS, ASK Day falls on the first day of summer, marking a season when children typically spend more time at the homes of friends and other family members; and

WHEREAS, Through a national public health campaign, the hope is that ASKing will become part of our parenting vernacular; offering a real solution that all Americans can adopt to help protect our families and children and that works immediately to save lives; and

WHEREAS, The power of the ASK Campaign is its inclusion of all individuals concerned with the welfare of children, including gun owners, and makes the solution to gun violence a discussion about public safety; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco declares June 21, 2014 as "ASK Day" to raise awareness about the dangers of unlocked guns in the home and to empower parents to ask the question to keep our children safe; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors encourages all relevant City

Departments to familiarize themselves with the ASK campaign and incorporate the message
as appropriate.



City and County of San Francisco **Tails**

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Resolution

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June 24, 2014 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Avalos, Breed, Campos, Chiu, Cohen, Farrell, Kim, Mar, Tang, Wiener and Yee

File No. 140713

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 6/24/2014 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

7/3/14 Unsigned Mayor **Date Approved**

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution, not being signed by the Mayor within the time limit as set forth in Section 3.103 of the Charter, or time waived pursuant to Board Rule 2.14.2, became effective without his approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter or Board Rule 2.14.2.

Clerk of the Board