

**MOUNTAIN VIEW LOS ALTOS HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
RESOLUTION NO. 21/22-58: RESOLUTION ADDRESSING GUN VIOLENCE**

WHEREAS, Gun violence is an urgent, complex, and multifaceted problem requiring evidence-based, multifaceted solutions.

WHEREAS, Gun violence is now the number one cause of death for children and teenagers, surpassing car accidents, and is a public health crisis.

WHEREAS, Mass shootings like the horrific attack that killed 19 children and two teachers at Robb Elementary School in Uvalde, Texas, or the murder of 10 people at a grocery store in Buffalo, New York, the week prior are all too common in the United States.

WHEREAS, There have been 214 mass shootings-defined by Gun Violence Archive-as one in which at least four people were shot—in the US within the first 145 days of the year.

WHEREAS, access to guns can turn a crisis into a life-ending tragedy for those involved and a life-altering incident for families and communities; and

WHEREAS, 75 percent of school shooters use a gun found in the home, and a gun in the home makes it 300 percent more likely that someone living there will lose their life; and

WHEREAS, the Mountain View Los Altos High School District and the Board of Education have taken action throughout recent years to support education, legislation, and research to reduce gun violence within our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education strongly supports recommitting to advocacy, highlighting the need for proactive measures to ensure safe schools and communities, an assault weapon ban, development and implementation of stricter controls governing the sale of guns including background checks, transfer, possession, manufacturing, and distribution of all firearms, dangerous weapons, and ammunition as well as support further education, and research.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Trustees of the Mountain View Los Altos High School District on June 2, 2022, by the following vote:

AYES: _____
NOES: _____
ABSTAIN: _____
ABSENT: _____

Dr. Nellie Meyer, Superintendent