

FORSYTH COUNTY

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING DATE: August 27, 2020 AGENDA ITEM NUMBER: 22

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION TO ADDRESS VIOLENT CRIME AND SHOOTINGS IN FORSYTH COUNTY

COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION OR COMMENTS:

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION: See Attached

ATTACHMENTS: YES NO

SIGNATURE: _____ COUNTY MANAGER DATE: August 25, 2020

**RESOLUTION TO ADDRESS VIOLENT CRIME AND SHOOTINGS
IN FORSYTH COUNTY**

WHEREAS, until recently, crime rates had been trending downward in Winston-Salem and Forsyth County;

WHEREAS, as the nation deals with the challenges of COVID-19, there has been a sharp increase in violent crime and gun-related violence in cities across the United States;

WHEREAS in recent weeks there has been an alarming spike in shooting incidents in Winston-Salem, resulting in the critical injury and death of children, youth, and adults; and

WHEREAS these crimes have caused many residents to fear leaving their houses and have further isolated vulnerable populations already threatened by COVID-19;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Forsyth County Board of Commissioners calls upon all citizens, local governments, law enforcement agencies, community groups, houses of faith, and others to work together to find long-term solutions that will result in an end to violent crime and shootings in Forsyth County.

Adopted this the 27th day of August 2020.