



City of Cambridge

39.

IN CITY COUNCIL

May 1, 1995

MAYOR REEVES

WHEREAS: Americans overwhelmingly support common sense gun laws that keep assault weapons out of the hands of criminals and terrorists; and

WHEREAS: Efforts are underway to repeal the common sense guns laws which were included in the 1994 Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act, signed into law by President Clinton on September 13, 1994; and

WHEREAS: Enactment of this legislation could have a significant impact upon budgets, authority, and safety in our local communities; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That this Cambridge City Council joins the National Leagues of Cities and more than 100 groups who oppose any effort the assault weapons ban and preempt local authority to enact and enforce local ordinances limiting firearms; and be it further

RESOLVED: That this City Council endorses the efforts of the National League of Cities and other to educate our communities about the impact of pending Congressional action, and to work with our Congressional delegation to save the assault weapons ban.

In City Council May 1, 1995

Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:- *D. Margaret Drury*

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

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SAMPLE RESOLUTION ON SAVING THE ASSAULT WEAPONS BAN

Whereas, Americans overwhelmingly support common sense gun laws that keep assault weapons out of the hands of criminals and terrorists;

Whereas, efforts are underway to repeal the common sense gun laws that were included in the 1994 Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994, which was signed into law by President Clinton on September 13, 1994;

Whereas, Congress is considering legislation (HR 1488) which would not only repeal the ban on 19 specific semiautomatic assault weapons and their large capacity ammunition magazines, but also subject cities and towns to fines for enforcing local ordinances banning or limiting firearms;

Whereas, enactment of this legislation could have a significant impact on local budgets, local authority, and, most important, safety in our communities;

Whereas, the National League of Cities has declared 1995 as a year for Rethinking Public Safety by creating new partnerships that will lead to positive action, increasing public awareness about civic responsibility to ensure safe communities, and strengthening working relationships among levels of government to ensure that public safety is both a community and a national goal;

Whereas, any action to weaken the assault weapons ban and preempt local authority to make decisions about local public safety would represent a giant step backward;

Whereas, the National League of Cities and more than 100 other groups who support common sense gun laws are joining together in a national campaign May 11- 17 to educate the public about the impact of Congress' efforts and to save the assault weapons ban;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the (city/town of _____) opposes any effort to weaken the assault weapons ban and preempt local authority to enact and enforce local ordinances limiting firearms;

Be it further resolved that the (city/town of _____) endorses the efforts of the National League of Cities and other groups to inform citizens about the impact of pending Congressional action and to work with our Congressional delegation to save the assault weapons ban.



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MAYOR REEVES

ORDERED: That the City Clerk be and is hereby requested to prepare a suitably engrossed resolution supporting current federal laws banning private ownership of assault weapons.

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Consent Order #39

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Mayor Reeves re: Support current federal
laws banning private ownership of assault
weapons.

In City Council May 1, 1995

Order adopted