



City of Philadelphia

City Council
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RESOLUTION NO. 050120

Introduced February 10, 2005

**Councilmembers Clarke, Reynolds Brown, Miller,
Blackwell, Goode, Ramos, Nutter and Mariano**

**Referred to the
Committee on Law and Government**

RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to the Philadelphia Home Rule Charter creating a new Chapter 5 entitled "Referenda Approved By The Voters" in Article VIII, Provisions of General Application, and creating a new Section 8-500 entitled "Home Rule Power to Prevent and Reduce Gun Violence" calling on the Pennsylvania General Assembly and the Governor to pass legislation that will permit Philadelphia to enact constitutionally lawful legislation to prevent and reduce gun violence.

WHEREAS, Under Section 6 of the First Class City Home Rule Act (53 P.S. §13106), an amendment to the Philadelphia Home Rule Charter may be proposed by a resolution of the Council of the City of Philadelphia adopted with the concurrence of two-thirds of its elected members; now therefore

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA,
That the following amendment to Article VIII of the Philadelphia Home Rule Charter is hereby proposed and shall be submitted to the electors of the City on an election date designated by ordinance:

ARTICLE VIII PROVISIONS OF GENERAL APPLICATION

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CHAPTER 5 REFERENDA APPROVED BY THE VOTERS

§8-500. *Home Rule Power to Prevent and Reduce Gun Violence*

We, the citizens of Philadelphia, call upon the Pennsylvania General Assembly and the Governor to pass legislation that would authorize the City of Philadelphia to enact constitutionally lawful legislation regulating the sale, transfer and possession of firearms within the City limits for the purpose of preventing and reducing gun violence. All appropriate City officials are hereby vested with the duty and the responsibility to take all appropriate steps, to the fullest extent allowable under law, to promote and defend the will and mandate of the people.

Explanation:

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted.

Italics indicate new matter added.

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