

## THE CITY OF CRANSTON

# RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

**URGING THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO PASS AN AMENDMENT TO THE  
GENERAL LAWS TO INSURE GUN SAFETY IN SCHOOLS**

No.

*Passed:*

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*Michael J Farina, Council President*

***Resolved that,***

**WHEREAS**, The City Council of the City of Cranston urges the General Assembly to take reasonable and necessary measures to protect the children of Rhode Island from gun violence and other violence which may occur in public schools

**WHEREAS**, This City Council takes note of recent gun violence tragedies which have occurred in or around public schools across this nation. There is no reason to believe that Rhode Island will be immune from future horrific events.

**WHEREAS**, This City Council understands that this is a multi-faceted problem that involves mental health issues, gun accessibility and social pressures.

**WHEREAS**, This City Council urges the General Assembly to create comprehensive legislation which protects school gun violence on a number of different fronts.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT,**

1. The Honorable City Council of Cranston urges the General Assembly to immediately and forthwith require all public schools in Rhode Island to use a metal detector at each entrance to the school which is accessible to the public.
2. The Honorable City Council of Cranston urges the General Assembly to immediately and forthwith require all public schools in Rhode Island to have an armed officer or officers (depending on the size of the school) present during normal school hours. Said officer shall have the requisite training to attend to school emergencies in accordance with best practices.
3. The Honorable City Council of Cranston urges the General Assembly to immediately and forthwith require all police departments in Rhode Island to establish a unit dedicated to interfacing with school, community officials and the public to identify youths or other individuals who may be posting, uttering, emailing or stating specific behaviors or threats which may be a precursor to violence against other students, faculty or the public at large.

