



PROCLAMATION

National Gun Violence Awareness Day: June 5, 2026

The City of Columbia Heights is dedicated to ensuring the safety, justice, and well-being of its residents, fostering an environment where everyone can thrive.

Gun violence remains a grave concern affecting communities across our nation, inflicting immeasurable pain, loss, and trauma on individuals, families, and society as a whole.

It is our collective responsibility to raise awareness about the profound impact of gun violence, to foster dialogue, and to unite in efforts to prevent further tragedies.

Gun Violence Awareness Day, observed on June 5th, offers a significant opportunity for individuals, organizations, and government entities to come together, honor the victims of gun violence, support survivors, and take proactive steps toward finding lasting solutions.

The City of Columbia Heights recognizes the urgent need to address the issue of gun violence, to engage in meaningful discussions, and to promote education, advocacy, and initiatives aimed at reducing gun violence and cultivating a culture of peace and understanding.

I, Amáda Márquez Simula, Mayor of Columbia Heights, do hereby proclaim **June 5, 2026**, to be **Gun Violence Awareness Day** in the City of Columbia Heights, County of Anoka, State of Minnesota, U.S.A. This day serves as a solemn reminder of the lives lost and underscores the urgent need for collective action.

Amáda Márquez Simula, Mayor
June 8, 2026