



BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL CITY OF MERCER ISLAND

AB 6724
July 1, 2025
Consent Agenda

AGENDA BILL INFORMATION

TITLE:	AB 6724: Gun Violence Awareness Day (Proclamation No. 364)	<input type="checkbox"/> Discussion Only <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action Needed:
RECOMMENDED ACTION:	Approve Proclamation No. 364 Proclaiming June 6, 2025 as Gun Violence Awareness Day on Mercer Island.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Motion <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance <input type="checkbox"/> Resolution

DEPARTMENT:	City Council
STAFF:	Salim Nice, Mayor Andrea Larson, City Clerk
COUNCIL LIAISON:	n/a
EXHIBITS:	1. Proclamation No. 364
CITY COUNCIL PRIORITY:	n/a

AMOUNT OF EXPENDITURE	\$ n/a
AMOUNT BUDGETED	\$ n/a
APPROPRIATION REQUIRED	\$ n/a

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this agenda bill is to proclaim June 6, 2025 as Gun Violence Awareness Day and join other cities across the region and nation to recognize, respond to, and help end gun violence.

BACKGROUND

In January 2013, Hadiya Pendleton was tragically shot and killed at age 15. Soon after this tragedy, Hadiya's childhood friends decided to commemorate her life by wearing orange, the color hunters wear in the woods to protect themselves and others. **Wear Orange** originated on June 2, 2015, what would have been Hadiya's 18th birthday. Now, it is observed nationally on the first Friday in June and the following weekend each year.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

The 11th National Gun Violence Awareness Day was on June 6, 2025 and people across the United States **wore orange** in tribute to Hadiya Pendleton and other victims of gun violence, and the loved ones of those victims.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

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