

#13-0295

TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Harry A. Stewart, City Attorney

DATE: February 5, 2013

TITLE: A Resolution urging the Florida Legislature to repeal certain sections of

the Florida Statutes that prevents local governments from exercising their Home Rule Authority to regulate and/or prohibit firearms and ammunition in Public Parks and other local government owned facilities and property.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, approve a Resolution, urging the Florida Legislature to repeal certain portions of 790.33, Florida Statutes that prevents local governments from exercising their Home Rule Authority to regulate and/or prohibit firearms and ammunition in Public Parks and other local government owned facilities and property.

Background

The City of Fort Lauderdale, City Commission does not currently prohibit people from bringing firearms and ammunition into public parks and other City owned facilities and property. In light of recent mass shootings, and the current preemption of local government authority to regulate and/or prohibit firearms and ammunition in public parks and other local government owned facilities and property, the City of Fort Lauderdale, City Commission, urges the Florida Legislature to repeal Section 790.33, Florida Statutes, only to the extent necessary to permit local governments to exercise their home rule authority to regulate and/or prohibit firearms and ammunition in public parks and local government owned facilities and property.

Resource Impact

There will be no fiscal impact to the City.

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Attachment

Exhibit 1 – Resolution

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