

**DRAFT Resolution  
of the  
City of Minneapolis**

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**Supporting legislation requiring that all firearms thefts be reported to local law enforcement authorities in a timely manner.**

Whereas, more than half a million guns are stolen every year in the United States; and

Whereas, all stolen guns are available to criminals; and

Whereas, stolen guns are a source of weapons for criminals; and

Whereas, the source of one-quarter of the guns investigated for illegal trafficking was theft from legal owners; and

Whereas, in order to avoid prosecution, those who abet gun traffickers, such as straw purchasers and a few “bad apple” licensed dealers, often use the excuse that the guns they sold or transferred illegally were stolen; and

Whereas, the City of Minneapolis is committed to stopping the illegal trafficking of firearms;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by The City Council of The City of Minneapolis:

That the City of Minneapolis supports legislation that will require that all firearms thefts be reported to local law enforcement authorities in a timely manner.