

Heeding God's Call

to End Gun Violence

PA Gov. Wolf Calls Again for New and Stronger Gun Laws

In his annual Budget Address on Tuesday, the Governor of Pennsylvania, Tom Wolf, made a strong public call upon the PA legislature to bear down and pass legislation intended to prevent gun injuries and deaths, including bills to expand criminal background checks to include private purchases of long guns, extreme risk protection orders and a ban on sales of assault guns. Wolf's call is likely difficult to achieve, but much is changing in the country and PA, so there is hope.

You can read about it at: https://www.inquirer.com/news/pennsylvania/spl/wolf-legislature-guns-bills-red-flag-20200204.html

Heeding God's Call to End Gun Violence is fully supportive of the legislation Wolfe pitched and we work closely with a coalition of groups across PA through the informal coalition Pennsylvanians For Gun Violence Prevention - PA4GVP. We will be more intentional at keeping you informed about the priorities and actions of PA4GVP from now.

We'd be remiss, however, if we did not let you know that Heeding's top long-term legislative priority is enactment of One Handgun A Month legislation, which would limit individuals to the purchase of no more than a single handgun in any thirty day period (up to thirteen per year). One Handgun A Month has been effective is several states in reducing intrastate and interstate gun trafficking. You'll hear much more from us about this over time as we build interest in this legislation.

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Heeding God's Call to End Gun Violence (Heeding) is a faith-based and grassroots organization devoted solely to saving lives from the uniquely American scourge of gun violence. Heeding is headquartered in Philadelphia, with volunteer chapters in the Mid-Atlantic. Heeding's activities include using faithful public pressure to persuade gun retailers to eschew sales to those who would resell guns on the street, public interfaith Murder Site Witnesses in effected neighborhoods, installations of Memorials to the Lost ™, portable tee-shirt memorials honoring local victims of gun violence and more.

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