

1 law's sunset provision; and

2 **WHEREAS**, there have been multiple attempts to renew the ban, but no bill has reached the
3 floor for a vote; and

4 **WHEREAS**, in addition, there is currently a gun show loophole in the law that allows
5 unlicensed sellers to sell guns without conducting a background check; and

6 **WHEREAS**, there are approximately 5,000 gun shows every year across the United States
7 and 40% of sales at these shows are by unlicensed sellers who are not required to perform background
8 checks; and

9 **WHEREAS**, the Federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms says that gun shows are
10 the second leading source of crime guns; and

11 **WHEREAS**, again and again and again, Americans are stunned by senseless acts of violence
12 involving guns, including the most recent tragedy that targeted young children in Newtown,
13 Connecticut; and

14 **WHEREAS**, too many times in recent years, local governments across the United States
15 have expressed shock at the many mass shootings that have occurred; and

16 **WHEREAS**, on December 17, 2012, representatives of the United States Conference of
17 Mayors sent an open letter to President Obama and the U.S. Congress calling for stronger gun laws, a
18 reversal of the culture of violence in this country, a commission to examine violence in the nation,
19 and more adequate funding for the mental health system; and

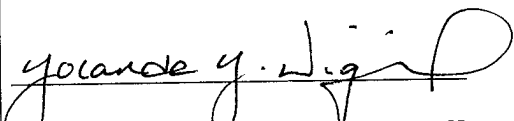
20 **WHEREAS**, the Governing Body of the City of Santa Fe supports the efforts of the U.S.
21 Conference of Mayors; and

22 **WHEREAS**, in addition, the Governing Body desires to work with the community of Santa
23 Fe to join the efforts of the Governing Body to lobby the President of the United States and Congress
24 to take immediate action to enact federal legislation to ban assault weapons and other high-capacity
25 magazines and close the gun show loophole; and

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YOLANDA Y. VIGIL, CITY CLERK

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