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Expressing the sense of the Congress that the Brady Handgun Violence Prevention Act, the assault weapons ban, and the restrictions on the transfer of handguns to juveniles are reasonable, important, and effective measures to reduce crimes of violence.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. SKAGGS (for himself, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. JOHNSTON of Florida, Mr. YATES, Mr. FATTAH, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Mr. SHAYS, Mr. TORRICELLI, Mr. OWENS, Mrs. CLAYTON, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. SABO, Mr. BERMAN, Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. TORRES, Mr. WARD, Mr. SERRANO, Mr. ROMERO-BARCELÓ, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. MCDERMOTT, Mr. TUCKER, Ms. WATERS, Mr. FRAZER, Mr. COYNE, Mr. UNDERWOOD, Mr. MANTON, Mrs. LOWEY, Mrs. COLLINS of Illinois, Mr. STARK, Mr. MARKEY, and Mr. SCHUMER) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

- Expressing the sense of the Congress that the Brady Handgun Violence Prevention Act, the assault weapons ban, and the restrictions on the transfer of handguns to juveniles are reasonable, important, and effective measures to reduce crimes of violence.
- Whereas gun violence is a growing threat to the safety of all Americans;

- Whereas firearms are involved in over 40,000 deaths annually in the United States;
- Whereas handguns are the most frequently used type of weapon in homicide and other crimes of violence;
- Whereas the leading cause of death for teenage boys in the United States is gunshot wounds;
- Whereas military-style assault weapons are not needed for any legitimate sport, hunting, or other civilian activity, and are disproportionately used in crimes involving firearms;
- Whereas the 103rd Congress responded to growing gun violence by adopting the Brady Handgun Violence Prevention Act, which requires a background check before handgun sales, a ban on assault weapons, and restrictions on the transfer of handguns to juveniles;
- Whereas, in the year since its enactment, the Brady Handgun Violence Prevention Act has been responsible for preventing the sale of over 40,000 handguns to individuals legally barred from purchasing them; and
- Whereas law enforcement officials and the American public strongly support these effective measures to reduce the use of firearms in crimes: Now, therefore, be it
 - 1 Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate
 - 2 *concurring*), That it is the sense of the Congress that the
 - 3 Brady Handgun Violence Prevention Act, the assault
 - 4 weapons ban, and the restrictions on the transfer of hand-
 - 5 guns to juveniles are reasonable, important, and effective

- 1 measures to help reduce crimes of violence and create
- 2 safer communities.