

MAYORAL PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, injuries are the leading cause of death and disability to US children ages 1 to 18; and

WHEREAS, the City of Madison is committed to creating a safe environment contributing to the safety and well-being of our children; and

WHEREAS, an estimated 54 percent of gun owners don't lock all of their guns securely and it is estimated that 4.6 million children live in a home with at least one unlocked and loaded gun; and

WHEREAS, almost every single day, a child gets their hands on a gun and unintentionally kills or injures themselves or someone else in the US; and

WHEREAS, research shows that the best way to protect children and teens from accessing guns is to implement secure firearm storage practices; and

WHEREAS, The Madison Common Council is on record supporting efforts to reduce gun violence; and

WHEREAS, hospitals, state agencies and community organizations are committed to their crucial role in reducing injuries and deaths by promoting safe practices; and

WHEREAS, National Injury Prevention Day raises awareness and promotes efforts to reduce injuries among children; the City of Madison commends Be SMART, a program developed by the Everytown for Gun Safety Support Fund and Moms Demand Action, and all involved in their endeavor to protect children from injury.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Mayor Satya Rhodes-Conway, on behalf of the residents of Madison, Wisconsin do hereby proclaim November 18, 2022 to be

National Injury Prevention Day
in the City of Madison.



Mayor Satya Rhodes-Conway

Signed and sealed this 7th day of November, 2022 at City Hall