



City of Powell, Ohio  
RESOLUTION 2018-07

**A RESOLUTION CALLING ON THE OHIO GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO ENACT A BAN ON SEMI-AUTOMATIC ASSAULT-STYLE WEAPONS.**

**WHEREAS**, in the last several years, mass shooting incidents involving semi-automatic assault style weapons have occurred in locations across the United States including Tucson, Arizona; Aurora, Colorado; Newtown, Connecticut; Clackamas, Oregon; Blacksburg, Virginia; Las Vegas, Nevada; Orlando, Florida; and Parkland, Florida; and

**WHEREAS**, hundreds of innocent children and adults have been killed or injured in these incidents; and

**WHEREAS**, the use of semi-automatic assault-style weapons enables persons to cause far more deaths and injuries than would be possible if such weapons were not available; and

**WHEREAS**, the people of the City of Powell mourn the loss of the seventeen people murdered on February 14, 2018 at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland Florida, the deadliest school shooting since December 14, 2012, when twenty first graders and six adults were murdered at Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, Connecticut by the use of a Bushmaster semi-automatic rifle; and

**WHEREAS**, the firearm used to murder and injure the victims at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School was an AR-15 semi-automatic assault style weapon; and

**WHEREAS**, assault-style weapons are not suitable for civilian use and constitute a threat to students, the public and law enforcement personnel; and

**WHEREAS**, this City Council finds that enactment of a ban on assault-style weapons would serve the best interests of the residents of this community.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF POWELL, DELAWARE COUNTY, OHIO, THAT:**

Section 1: Urges the Ohio General Assembly to immediately enact a law banning semi-automatic assault style weapons.

Section 2: Directs the Clerk of the City Council to send a certified copy of this resolution to the members of the Ohio General Assembly who represent the City, to the Speaker of the Ohio House of Representatives, to the President of the Ohio Senate and to the Governor of the State of Ohio.

Section 3: It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of the Council and that all deliberations of this Council and any of the decision making bodies of the City of Powell which resulted in such formal actions were in meetings so open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements of the Municipality of Powell, Delaware County, Ohio.

Section 4: That this Resolution shall take effect on the earliest possible date permitted by law.

