

Sample Proclamation:

WHEREAS, the epidemic of gun violence is plaguing our nation's children and claiming eight lives a day; and

WHEREAS, over 40% of American homes with children have guns, many of them are kept unlocked and loaded, and children in the United States are more likely to die of gun violence than from all natural causes combined; and

*WHEREAS, the ASK (**A**sking **S**aves **K**ids) Campaign urges parents to ASK their neighbors if there is a gun in their home before sending a child over to play; and*

WHEREAS, through a national public health campaign, the hope is that asking will become part of good parenting vernacular; offering a real solution that all Americans can adopt to help protect our families and children and that work immediately to save lives; and

WHEREAS, the power of the ASK Campaign is that it enrolls all Americans concerned with the welfare of children, including gun owners, and makes the solution to gun violence a discussion about public safety and good parenting;

RESOLVED, that the [City/State/County] of [Name] therefore does hereby proclaim June 21, 2010 to be "ASK Day" and calls upon the people of [State/City/County] to recognize this special observance with appropriate ceremonies and activities.