

RESOLUTION 2019-02

Whereas; The Sheriffs' of Western States Sheriffs' Association acknowledge that the incidence of active shooter violence is of grave concern and;

Whereas; The Western Sheriffs Association believes that attempts should be made to identify those with a propensity for a crisis of violence and make efforts to prevent such violence.

Whereas; one method being proposed to identify said individuals is often referred to as a process to "Red Flag" individuals who are deemed to be a risk to themselves or to public safety and to secure an order to confiscate all of their firearms and;

Whereas; the membership of the Western States Sheriffs' Association believes this would be logistically impossible to carry out and likely would be a violation of the 2nd and 4th Amendments as well as the Due Process clause of the 5th Amendment of the U.S. Constitution;

Therefore, be it Resolved by the membership of the Western States Sheriffs' Association that

Sheriffs within their respective jurisdictions shall remain vigilant in identifying persons believed to be a threat to public safety.

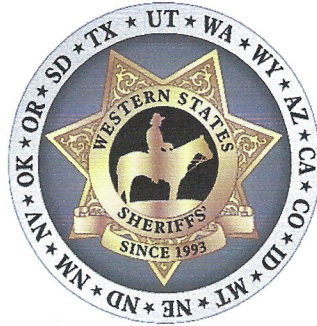
Be it further resolved, that a Court of appropriate jurisdiction should review the salient facts and determine an individual's risk to public safety and that the individual has all due process rights as set forth in the U.S. Constitution.

Be it finally resolved, that should the potential for risk be ratified by a Court of appropriate jurisdiction, a Protection Order, or other court order may be issued to make it unlawful for that person to possess a firearm, making it a criminal offense should the person violate that Order. In no circumstance will the Protection Order require law enforcement to seize any firearm.

Passed this 6th day of March 2019 by the membership of the Western States Sheriffs' Association at the annual business meeting in Nevada

Ben Wolfinger, President WSSA

Jim Pond, Executive Director WSSA



Western States Sheriffs Association
In Support of Early Childhood and Youth Programs
as a Public Safety Investment
Resolution 2019-4

- Whereas,** Sheriffs are dedicated to public safety; and
- Whereas,** The members of the Western States Sheriffs' Association and Fight Crime: Invest in Kids are dedicated to working continuously to fight crime and remove dangerous criminals from our communities; and
- Whereas,** Rigorous scientific research and our years of experience on the front lines show that one of the best ways to reduce crime and improve public safety is by investing in high-quality early childhood care and education programs, quality after-school programs, interventions to get troubled kids back on track, and child abuse and neglect programs for at-risk families; and
- Whereas,** Investments in these types of programs can provide a significant return on investment through reduced crime and associated costs, reduced welfare, improved academic outcomes and less need for special and remedial education, and increased productivity of the future workforce.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved,

That Western States Sheriffs' Association (WSSA) do hereby call on all public officials to fully fund and implement crime prevention and intervention programs that are evidence based or prove promising to encourage positive behavior, strengthen families, increase public and school safety and community engagement, and improve child and youth development and communities overall.

Adopted by the Western States Sheriffs' Association at their regular scheduled meeting in Reno, Nevada, this sixth day of March 2019.

Attest:

Ben Wolfinger
President

James F Pond
Executive Director