

# City of Sardis

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## CITY OF SARDIS, GEORGIA PROCLAMATION

### DECLARING THE FIRST FRIDAY IN JUNE TO BE GUN VIOLENCE AWARENESS DAY

This proclamation declares the first Friday in June to be Gun Violence Awareness Day in the City of Sardis to honor and remember all victims and survivors of gun violence and to declare that we as a country must do more to reduce gun violence.

**WHEREAS**, Americans are 25 times more likely to die by gun homicide than people in other high-income countries; and

**WHEREAS**, cities across the nation, including in Sardis, are working to end the senseless violence with evidence-based solutions; and

**WHEREAS**, protecting public safety in the communities they serve is a mayor's highest responsibility; and

**WHEREAS**, support for the Second Amendment rights of law-abiding citizens goes hand-in-hand with keeping guns away from people with dangerous histories; and

**WHEREAS**, mayors and law enforcement officers know their communities best, are the most familiar with local criminal activity and how to address it, and are best positioned to understand how to keep their citizens safe; and

**WHEREAS**, people across the US wear orange on this day; this color is chosen because hunters wear orange to announce themselves to other hunters when out in the woods and orange is a color that symbolizes the value of human life; and

**WHEREAS**, anyone can join this campaign by pledging to wear orange on June 5th, the first Friday in June in 2026, to help raise awareness about gun violence; and

**WHEREAS**, by wearing orange on June 5, 2026, Americans will raise awareness about gun violence and honor the lives of gun violence victims and survivors; and

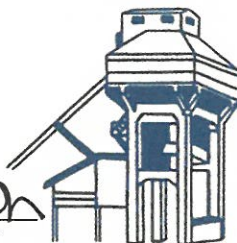
**WHEREAS**, we renew our commitment to reduce gun violence and pledge to do all we can to keep firearms out of the wrong hands, and encourage responsible gun ownership to help keep our children safe.


**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that Mayor Roger Lane of the City of Sardis declares the first Friday in June, June 6, 2025, to be Gun Violence Awareness Day. I encourage all citizens to support our local community's efforts to prevent the tragic effects of gun violence and to honor and value human lives.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Sardis, Georgia, to be affixed this 5<sup>th</sup> day of June in the Year of our Lord 2026.

ATTEST:

  
S. Jennie Johnson, City Clerk



  
Roger Lane  
Mayor

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