

**RESOLUTION  
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RESOLUTION TO ADDRESS VIOLENT CRIME WITHIN THE CITY

WHEREAS, in recent months there has been an influx in violent crimes within the City of Selma that in almost all cases involve illegal drugs and firearms; *and*

WHEREAS, within six (6) months, there have been five (5) homicides committed within the city, two occurring within the past week; *and*

WHEREAS, each of these instances have occurred in and/or stemmed from the "target area" identified by the Historic Selma Crime Prevention Steering Committee through analysis of incidents of reported violent crimes; *and*

WHEREAS, these recent occurrences have outraged City leaders and the Selma community, causing several individual citizens, organizations, civic and religious leaders to come forth to say enough is enough; *and*

WHEREAS, as the governing body of the City of Selma, Alabama, the Selma City Council and the Mayor are stakeholders in ensuring the safety, quality of life and general welfare of citizens of the city hereby resolve to address these issues, to wit:

- (1) *Reduce Crime within the City of Selma*
- (2) *Increase Patrol within identified targeted areas of crime and*
- (3) *Work with the community to fight against drugs*

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS**, that the Selma City Council and the Mayor seeks the community involvement, participation and assistance in fighting against drugs and senseless killings within our community;

**BE IT FURTHER Resolved that** the Selma City Council and the Mayor will do everything within the law and its ability to (1) work with the community to reduce crime, (2) increase patrol within identified targeted areas of crime and (3) prevent, investigate, and punish acts of violence; *and*

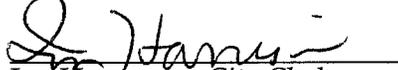
**BE IT FURTHER Resolved that** in order to promote and ensure the safety, quality of life and general welfare of citizens of the city of Selma, the City Council and the Mayor will not stop until we change the attitudes and behaviors of our citizens that perpetuate the violence within our community.

**ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SELMA, ALABAMA  
on this the 13<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2010.**



DR. CECIL WILLIAMSON, *President*

ATTEST:

  
IVY HARRISON, *City Clerk*

APPROVED:

  
GEORGE F. EVANS, *Mayor*