

1 A RESOLUTION commemorating the one year anniversary of the March 16, 2021,
2 mass shooting in Atlanta, Georgia, and acknowledging the need to address gun violence
3 in our communities.

4 WHEREAS, this body stands in solidarity with all Asian-Americans living in this
5 Commonwealth, particularly those who have suffered from unfair treatment based on
6 their ethnicity; and

7 WHEREAS, in this spirit, the members rightfully condemn the mass shooting that
8 occurred on March 16, 2021, in Atlanta; and

9 WHEREAS, it is in this spirit that the events on March 16, 2021, in Atlanta are duly
10 condemned by all in this body; and

11 WHEREAS, in so doing, this body recognizes that the growth of our
12 Commonwealth depends on every citizen being able to live freely without fear of being
13 ostracized, harassed, or punished because of their ethnicity; and

14 WHEREAS, in 2020, the most recent year for which complete data is available,
15 45,222 people died from gun-related injuries in the United States, according to the CDC;
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17 WHEREAS, 79% of murders in the United States in 2020 involved a firearm; and

18 WHEREAS, in 2019, Kentucky had the seventeenth highest gun death rate in the
19 country; and

20 WHEREAS, these statistics show a need to address gun violence in our
21 communities and in our Commonwealth;

22 NOW, THEREFORE,

23 ***Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the***
24 ***Commonwealth of Kentucky:***

25 ➔Section 1. The members of the House of Representatives, both individually and
26 collectively, hereby condemn the mass shooting on March 16, 2021, in Atlanta, Georgia.

27 ➔Section 2. The members stand in solidarity with the Asian-American

1 community in the Commonwealth of Kentucky and across this nation.

2 ➔Section 3. The members denounce any form of racism, xenophobia, or
3 discrimination toward Asian-Americans in the Commonwealth of Kentucky and across
4 this nation.

5 ➔Section 4. The members denounce all gun violence and acknowledge the need
6 to address gun violence in the Commonwealth of Kentucky and across this nation.

7 ➔Section 5. The Clerk of the House of Representatives is directed to transmit a
8 copy of this Resolution to Representative Nima Kulkarni.