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EXECUTIVE POLICY ORDER

SUPPORTING THE MITIGATION AND ABOLITION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS

- WHEREAS, the City of Northampton has a long history of supporting the mitigation and abolition of nuclear weapons. In the 1980s our city was among the first nationally to push for the establishment of a Nuclear-Free Zone; and
- WHEREAS, in 2005, the City of Northampton joined the Mayors for Peace initiative, originating from the Mayor of Hiroshima, seeking a ban on the use of nuclear weapons; and
- WHEREAS, in 2017, over 122 member countries of the United Nations adopted the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons and it is now on its way to becoming international law; and
- WHEREAS, on December 7, 2017, the Northampton City Council adopted R-17.425 "A Resolution Calling for the United States to 'Pull Back from the Brink' and Prevent Nuclear War" seeking U.S. support of the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons by our federal leaders; and
- WHEREAS, the United Nations has designated September 26 as the International Day for the Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is and shall be the continuing policy of the City of Northampton to reduce and eventually eliminate any and all ties to the nuclear weapons industry. Toward that end, it is and shall be the continuing policy of the City of Northampton that, to the extent practicable and permitted by law, the city shall not contract with companies that are directly involved in the manufacture or maintenance of nuclear weapons. Further, it is and shall be the continuing policy of the City of Northampton that, to the extent practicable and permitted by law, the city shall work to eliminate and avoid any investments in companies involved in the manufacture or maintenance of nuclear weapons. Finally, it is and shall be the continuing policy of the City of Northampton to observe September 26 as Nuclear Ban Day to demonstrate our city's strong support for the international effort to eliminate nuclear weapons.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "D. Narkewicz", written over a horizontal line.

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