

Resolution No.

2017

**RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL TO
UNITED STATES SENATOR CHARLES
SCHUMER, UNITED STATES SENATOR
KIRSTEN GILLIBRAND, AND UNITED STATES
CONGRESSMAN JOHN KATKO IN OPPOSITION
TO THE PASSAGE OF CONCEALED CARRY
RECIPROCITY BILLS (HR-38 AND S-446)**

WHEREAS, the United States Congress, with the support of New York Congressman John Katko, has passed a bill that would require states to recognize concealed carry permits of gun owners issued in all other states, regardless of the issuing state's permitting standards; and

WHEREAS, the bill has been sent to the Senate for their approval; and

WHEREAS, this Common Council is concerned that the repercussions of these bills would negatively impact our community, our State, and our country as a whole; and

WHEREAS, in a time where our community and communities across the United States are dealing with increased violence, mass shootings and other tragedies; and where our constituents and citizens across the United States are asking their representatives to stop the violence, it seems wholly inappropriate to chip away at state laws that have attempted to provide sensible regulations of guns instead of looking into how to strengthen regulations on background checks, eliminating loopholes for gun shows and online sales, and banning dangerous bump stocks that allow weapons to have automatic capacity;

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, that this Common Council of the City of Syracuse, New York urges Senator Charles Schumer, Senator Kirsten Gillibrand, to take the necessary actions to ensure that the concealed carry reciprocity bill does not pass in the Senate; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Common Council of the City of Syracuse, New York urges Congressman John Katko to reconsider his position on the concealed carry reciprocity bill and any future bills relative to this topic and other gun control matters which affect our community deeply;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk is hereby directed to transmit copies of this Resolution to Mayor Stephanie A. Miner, U.S. Senators Schumer and Gillibrand, and U.S. Representative John Katko.