1		TOWN OF HERNDON, VIRGINIA
2		ORDINANCE
3		September 28, 2021
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5 6 7 8 9 10	Ordinance-	to amend Chapter 46 (OFFENSES), Article II (Firearms, Crossbows, and Pneumatic Guns), to amend definitions and to create a new Section 46-60 (Possession of Firearms on Town Property), to prohibit the possession, carrying, or transportation of any firearms, ammunition, or components or combination thereof in Town buildings or in certain other areas owned by the Town.
12 13 14	Whereas,	the Town Council desires to adopt legislation to prevent the possession, carrying, or transportation of any firearms, ammunition or components or combination thereof in town buildings; and
15 16 17	Whereas,	the Town Council desires to provide security measures to protect the people and places where the legislative and statutory decisions of the town are made; and
18 19 20 21 22	Whereas,	the Town Council authorizes and directs the Town Manager to take immediate and necessary steps to implement security measures to affect these desires and protect the public officials, citizens, staff and others from the effects of firearms in these places, therefore,
23	BE IT ORDA	AINED by the Town Council for the Town of Herndon, Virginia that:
24	1. Chapte	er 46 (OFFENSES), Herndon Town Code (2000), is amended as follows:
25		CHAPTER 46 – OFFENSES
26	ARTICI	LE II. – FIREARMS, CROSSBOWS, AND PNEUMATIC GUNS
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28	Sec. 46-56. D	efinitions
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30 31	Ammunition firearm.	n means a cartridge, pellet, ball, missile or projectile adapted for use in a
32 33 34 35	(Herndon Tou of Zoning App	Decision-Making Body means any of the following: Town Council wn Charter 3.1), Planning Commission (Code of Virginia 15.2-2210), Board peals (Code of Virginia 15.2-2308), Architectural Review Board (Herndon 7.4:1), Historic District Review Board (Code of Virginia 15.2-2306)

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76	seq., or (ii) any intercollegiate athletics program operated by a
77	public or private institution of higher education and governed by
78	the National Collegiate Athletic Association or any club sports team
79	recognized by a public or private institution of higher education
80	where the sport engaged in by such program or team involves the
81	use of a firearm. Such activities shall follow strict guidelines
82	developed by such institutions for these activities and shall be
83	conducted under the supervision of staff officials of such
84	institutions.
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86	b. Sworn law enforcement personnel.
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88	c. Security personnel hired as employees or contracted by the town,
89	when such personnel are present and working in any building or
90	other location set forth in Paragraph (1) and who are authorized to
91	carry firearms as part of their duties.
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93	d. The possession and carrying of weapons in a town building
94	operating as a courthouse shall be governed by the provisions of Va.
95	Code Sec. 18.2-283.1, as amended.
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97	(4)Notice of ordinance.
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99	a. Notice of this ordinance shall be posted at all entrances to
100	 Herndon Council Chambers - 765 Lynn Street
101	 Herndon Municipal Center - 777 Lynn Street
102	Old Town Hall - 730 Elden Street
103	 Herndon Community Center - 814 Ferndale Avenue
104	 Herndon Golf Course Club House - 909 Ferndale Avenue
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106	<i>Avenue</i>
107	Public Works Town Shop - 1479 Sterling Road
108	Public Works Operations/Water and Sewer - 1481 Sterling
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114	(5) Violation of this section (46-60) shall constitute a class 1 misdemeanor.
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117	This ordinance shall be effective on and after January 1, 2022.