

**Resolution on Banning Firearms within the Michigan State Capitol Building**

**Passed by the East Lansing School Board in a vote of 7-0 on May 11, 2020**

Whereas ELPS students, teachers and chaperones utilize the Capitol building for fieldtrips related to the teaching of Government classes;

Whereas the safety of our ELPS students, teachers and chaperones is paramount;

Whereas the presence of guns within the Capitol building, although legally obtained and carried, threatens the emotional, physical and mental health and safety of our students, teachers and chaperones; and

Whereas Attorney General Dana Nessel has confirmed that the Capitol Commission has the legal authority to ban firearms within the Capitol Building, now, therefore be it

Resolved, that the Capitol Commission,

1. ensures the health and safety of our ELPS students, teachers and chaperones while visiting the Capitol building;
2. uses the legal authority, confirmed by Attorney General Dana Nessel; and
3. prohibits the brandishing, carrying (open or concealed) and use of firearms inside the Michigan State Capitol Building except as specifically allowed by on duty Capitol Security team members.