



## Justice, Peace and Sustainability

***“Recognizing the escalation of violence in our world, and especially its impact on women and children, we choose to act with diligence in the pursuit of peace and non-violence.”***

- IHM Chapter 2000 Directions

### **IHM Monthly Mobilization to Address Gun Violence – Act Today**

While our IHM Monthly Mobilization to Address Gun Violence isn't scheduled until July 7, we are asking you to act TODAY at a key moment when our collective voice can have an impact.

In four votes on June 20, the Senate failed to pass any meaningful changes to United States gun laws in response to the shooting in Orlando. These amendments would have closed loopholes in our background check system.

Your representative has the chance to vote on these proposals, but the House is planning to recess at the end of the week for the July 4 holiday. Right now members of the U.S. House (led by Rep. John Lewis) are holding a sit-in on the house floor to push for a vote on these, before the chamber departs for the holiday recess.

Use the following easy action tool (provided by the Michigan Coalition to Prevent Gun Violence) to take several important actions.

1. Thank the senators (like Michigan Senators Peters and Stabenow) who voted in favor of the Feinstein and Murphy Amendments.
2. Send a message to those senators who voted against these amendments expressing your disappointment.
3. Ask your representative to vote on these provisions before leaving for the July 4 recess.

Click [here](#) to act now!

If you need assistance with taking action, please email [jps@ihmsisters.org](mailto:jps@ihmsisters.org), or call Sarah Nash at 734-240-9691 or Elizabeth Walters, IHM, at 313-204-6350.

As always, please let us know that you took action! Email us at [jps@ihmsisters.org](mailto:jps@ihmsisters.org) so that we can tally your efforts. Please share this announcement with family, friends and co-workers.

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**Did You Know ...? Select videos of the 2016 Festival of Faiths “Sacred Wisdom: Pathways to Nonviolence” can be viewed on its YouTube channel. Click [here](#) to watch.**



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