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FORWARD LATINO WELCOMES BIPARTISAN EFFORT ON GUN VIOLENCE PREVENTION BUT CALLS FOR EXTREME RISK PROTECTION ORDERS AND UNIVERSAL BACKGROUND CHECKS

Franklin, WI: Forward Latino, a non-profit, non-partisan advocacy and service organization with members in 29 states has worked extensively on gun violence prevention. Earlier today a bipartisan group of U.S. Senators, following public outcry over the growing epidemic of mass shootings, announced a framework for gun violence prevention legislation. Following the announcement of the framework, Forward Latino National President Darryl Morin issued for the following statement:

“Today we thank the bipartisan group of U.S. Senators and President Joe Biden for their efforts to address gun violence. Today they announced a framework that will provide additional funding for mental health services, provide states with incentives to implement crisis orders, and make other incremental changes. While we welcome this announcement, this framework if passed, represents a good first step in addressing the issue of gun violence but should not be perceived as a comprehensive solution.

Today the United States stands alone among its peers as gun violence is the nation’s leading cause of death for persons 18-years-old and younger.

We cannot say we have done all we can while violent felons are still allowed to purchase firearms online. We cannot say we have done all we can when mothers, such as the mother of the El Paso shooter, who called law enforcement warning that her son with his AK-47 was an imminent danger to others was told there was nothing they can do because Texas does not have a red flag law.

Universal Background Checks and Extreme Risk Protection Orders must be part of any common-sense approach to reducing gun violence. They are overwhelming popular among Republican and Democrat voters, have been found time and time again to be constitutional, and will not remove a firearm from any lawful firearm owner.”

About Forward Latino:

Forward Latino is a non-profit, non-partisan advocacy and service organization dedicated to assisting Latinos pursuing the American Dream. Forward Latino fulfills its mission through advocacy, civic engagement, education, and service delivery

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