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Newtown Action Alliance Statement on Recent Surge of School Shootings

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According to recent Moyers & Company's report, there have been 79 tragic shootings schools since the Sandy Hook massacre, most recent occurring in Troutdale, Oregon; Seattle, Washington; and Isla Vista, California. Po Murray, Chairman of the Newtown Action Alliance, stated: "We send our heartfelt condolences to the communities that have been subjected to tragic and violent school shootings in the last two weeks. The members of Newtown Action Alliance understand firsthand the devastating impact of school shootings and the shock, grief, and pain that follow." Murray continued, "We recognize that thoughts and condolences are no longer enough. In order to keep our children and families safe from gun violence in schools, in our homes, and on our city streets, we need more Americans to take action. Our website, NewtownAction.org, can guide those who would like to do more to honor the lives lost with action."

"This has been an especially bloody few weeks in America, where mass shootings and everyday gun deaths continue to occur at alarming rates. For many parents, putting children on the school bus or sending them off to college has become a frightening prospect. Meanwhile, politicians on Capitol Hill continue to be influenced by the profit-driven corporate gun lobby," said Dave Stowe, Vice Chairman of the Newtown Action Alliance. "Those of us who desire gun violence prevention are in the vast majority, and together we have the power to make our country safer by ensuring that not one more child or loved one is senselessly gunned down. Let us all resolve to honor every life lost to senseless violence by making a pledge to honor with action today," continued Stowe.

ABOUT NEWTOWN ACTION ALLIANCE

The Newtown Action Alliance is a grassroots organization formed after the tragic shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School. The Newtown Action Alliance works to bring about legislative and cultural changes that will reduce gun violence which is a public health crisis in our country.

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