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Statement by Philadelphia Mayor Michael A. Nutter,
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On Mass Shooting in Oak Creek, Wisconsin

Washington, D.C. – “Once again our attention is focused on an inexplicable act of violence by a gunman who has killed at least six people and injured several more, including a police officer.

“The nation’s mayors express their outrage at yet another mass shooting and send their condolences to the victims, their families, and their community. Oak Creek Mayor Steve Scaffidi is in our thoughts and prayers today as he helps his city cope with this tragedy.

“This shooting occurred as people prepared for a morning worship service in the Sikh Temple of Wisconsin in Oak Creek. While we don’t yet have information about the shooter’s motives, the weapons used, or how he obtained them, we do know that once again guns have been used in a mass killing of innocent people.

“Just 17 days have passed since the tragic shooting in Aurora. The U.S. Conference of Mayors repeats its call for reasonable changes in our gun laws and regulations that could help to prevent senseless tragedies such as the one that has shocked Oak Creek and the nation.”

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