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Environment Committee Connecticut General Assembly Legislative Office Building 300 Capitol Ave Hartford, CT 06106

Re: S.B. No. 83 AN ACT AUTHORIZING BOW AND ARROW HUNTING ON SUNDAY UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.

Senator Meyer, Representative Roy and Distinguished Members of the Environmental Committee:

I urge you to SUPPORT S.B. No. 83.

Connecticut's Sunday hunting ban is simply an antiquated blue law that needs to be repealed. Currently, Connecticut is one of only six states in the country that strictly bans hunting on Sunday. This is insane.

Due to work, family and extracurricular schedules, often times my children and I am unable to hunt during the week or on Saturdays during the hunting season. I spend my hard earned money to purchase licenses and tags so that I can enjoy hunting with my family, a pastime that many families enjoy in Connecticut.

Others opposed to this bill have personal agendas that are not substantiated by fact or accurate science. These are the same people that typically do not spend a dime on conservation. Law abiding sportsmen and women do this through the purchase of archery and other hunting licenses in this state. This bill will provide further opportunity for these hard working people to enjoy more time afield. Please support this bill which will give us one more day to enjoy the outdoors and the sport we care so much about. Thank you.

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