

Dear Public Safety and Security Committee:

The 65 women from the Stamford, CT. community who participate in WOW (Women on the Watch), have been watching, writing, marching and phoning Connecticut legislators to urge them to see that Connecticut becomes the nation's strongest, decisive leader in safe gun legislation. So far, we have been disappointed.

America is alone among the advanced democracies of the world suffering from an unending epidemic of gun mayhem. We need you, our elected leaders to be more courageous than ever. You must respond to the massacre of the children of Sandy Hook with a ban of assault weapons and high capacity ammunition magazines, universal background checks on all gun sales and transfers, including private sales and requiring a license for ammunition sales.

We will need to be convinced that you are not being manipulated by those NRA members who believe that their individual rights are far more important than their civic responsibility.

It is time for you to do the right thing.

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