Gun Violence Prevention in Connecticut. I know this is long but please have the courtesy to read it.

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Good morning my name is Peter Diatelevi. I am 71 years old and have lived in Woodbury for 40 years. I am a hunter and a shooter sense I was 26. My profession for 33 years was a public school teacher.
I am sure we are all here not to just do something but to do the right something concerning what occurred in Newtown.
Here is some factual information concerning the proposals many of you are considering.

TITLE; Do Gun Bans Reduce Crime? Ask The Aussies And The Brits.
Actually if the Australian Bureau of Criminology can be believed, Americans would be insane to concern themselves with what non -Americans think about American gun rights.
In 2002, 5 years after enacting its gun ban, the Australian Bureau of Criminology acknowledged there is no correlation between gun control and the use of firearms in violent crime. In fact the numbers of murders committed with a firearm was the highest it had ever been in 2006. Even Australia's Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research acknowledges that the gun ban had no significant impact on the amount of gun involved crime.
In 2006 assaults rose 49.2 percent and robbery 6.2 percent. Sexual assault increased 29.9 percent. Overall Australia's violent crime rate rose 42.2 percent.
At the same time, U.S. violent crime decreased 31.8 percent, rape dropped 19.2 percent; robbery decreased 33.2 percent; and aggravated assault dropped 32.2 percent.
Australian women are now raped over three times as often as American women.
So if the U.S.A. follows Australia's lead in banning guns, it should expect a 42 percent increase in violent crime, a higher percentage of murders committed with a gun and three times more rape.

The International Crime Victims Survey, conducted by Leiden University in Holland, found that England and Wales ranked second overall in violent crime among industrialized nations. 26% of English citizens-roughly one quarter of the population have been victimized by violent crime. Australia led the list with more than 30% of the population victimized. The United States didn't even make the" top ten" list of industrialized nations whose citizens were victimized by violent crime.
In America private firearms are used over 2.5 million times a year to stop crimes from happening. One wonders if politicians ever bother to look up the relative crime statistics.

El Salvador, Jamaica, and Honduras have 50 people, 47 people and 46 people per 100,000 killed by firearms. All these countries have gun registration, licensing and micro stamping of firearms.

Canada created a gun registry in the mid 90's. The Govt. estimated it would cost 1.5 million dollars to implement. After 10 years the cost ballooned to 2 billion. Crime increased across the board including rape. 70% of Canadians did not comply with the registration. Canada's death rate per 100,000 is 2.13. The registry was discontinued a year ago as a complete failure.
America's death rate is 6.1 per 100,000 and we have a much larger population and liberal gun laws.
Switzerland's death rate is 3.84 per 100,000 and all males must have a fully automatic military weapon in their home.

So now the big question is how do we prevent gun violence? Well certainly not through gun banning many of you propose.
Bermuda has had a spike in gun crimes in recent years. There have been no guns in Bermuda sense the late 60's. The spike in gun crime is fueled by the drug trade which is run by gangs. The illegal guns enter

the country with the illegal drugs. Aren't we conducting a war on drugs! Looks to me like we already lost!
At the beginning of 2012 the gun death rate in Bermuda kept pace with the death rate in N.Y.C. There are only 20,000 permanent residents in Bermuda.
Chicago had 506 murders last year much of it fueled by drugs and gangs. Even after the Supreme Court decision in McDonald vs the City of Chicago, Rahm Emanuel is denying citizens their Second Amendment rights. Isn't Rahm supposed to obey the law too?
Connecticut;
I did a survey of crime in Conn. over a 4 week period. The number of repeat offenders was astounding. Some criminal records dated back to the 1980's. Most crime occurs in the cities these people are still on the streets. The cost to deal with each of these people over time can reach 1.5 million dollars not to mention the violence perpetrated against innocent people. The petit family is a prime example.
We have in this country a complete failure of the criminal justice system. Protecting the public is the first job of Govt.

There are thousands of tons of drugs coming into the country much of it through California, Arizona and Texas and we have a President that refuses to secure the border. Drugs=gangs=guns=crime=death. There are places in Arizona the Govt. has told Americans they shouldn't go to because of the Mexican drug cartels. Correct me if I am wrong but isn't Arizona in the United States?
Fast and Furious;
Our Govt. in Washington ran guns into Mexico. A BORDER PATROL AGENT WAS KILLED; MANY HUNDREDS OF MEXICANS INCLUDING 16 TEENAGERS AT A BIRTHDAY PARTY WERE ALSO KILLED. THE GOVT. HAS STONED WALLED FOR 2 YEARS SO NOT TO HAVE TO RELEASE INFORMATION TO THE HOUSE OVER SITE COMMITTEE. BOTH BARAK OBAMA AND ERIC HOLDER WERE AWARE OF THIS GUN RUNNING. I SAY THIS BECAUSE NO UNDERLING IN THE BATF WOULD TAKE IT UPON THEM SELVES TO COMPROMISE THE SOVEREIGNTY OF ANOTHER NATION WITHOUT THE PRESIDENT AND ERIC HOLDER KNOWING ABOUT IT.
WE WILL EVENTUALLY FIND OUT THE SAME THING HAPPENED IN BENGHAZI. THOSE FOUR AMERICANS WERE SACRIFICED BECAUSE THE U.S. WAS RUNNING GUNS INTO SYRIA THROUGH TURKEY AND THEY WERE GOING TO THE MUSLIM BROTHERHOOD. THAT'S WHY THE COVER UP.
IF WE TRULY WANT TO STOP GUN CRIME WE HAD BETTER START WITH OUR OWN ROGUE FEDERAL GOVT.
MENTAL HEALTH CARE;

THE MENTAL HEALTH CARE IN THIS COUNTRY IS IN SHAMBLES. MOST OF THE FACILITIES FOR THE MENTALLY ILL ARE CLOSED. CHILDREN WITH ISSUES ARE NOT IDENTIFIED EARLY ENOUGH AND NO COORDINATED ACTION IS TAKEN TO HELP THEM. THIS INTERVENTION SHOULD START IN ELEMENTARY AND MIDDLE SCHOOLS WHERE BEHAVIOR ADJUSTMENTS CAN BE MADE. I WAS A WITNESS TO THIS FAILURE FOR 33 YEARS OF MY TEACHING CAREER.
MOST TROUBLED ADULTS ARE ON THE STREET OR IN PRISON BECAUSE THERE ARE NO FACILITIES FOR THEM. JUST LIKE ADAM LANZA THEY ARE ACCIDENTS WAITING TO HAPPEN. A MAN ORIGINALLY FROM NEWTOWN REPORTED WHEN IN HIGH SCHOOL HE BABY SAT LANZA WHEN LANZA WAS 9 YRS. OLD. LANZA'S MOTHER TOLD THE SITTER "NEVER TURN YOUR BACK ON HIM AND NEVER LEAVE HIM ALONE EVEN IF YOU HAVE TO USE THE BATHROOM."
HOLLYWOOD AND THE COMPUTER GAME INDUSTRY;

MOVIES AND GAMES TODAY ARE FILLED WITH SEX, VIOLENCE, SADISTIC AND CRUEL BEHAVIOR. YOU WILL NOTICE IN OBAMA'S GUN CONTROL PLAN THERE IS NO MENTION OF CURBING THIS TYPE OF FILM THAT HIS FRIENDS IN HOLLYWOOD PRODUCES.

I SPOKE TO CHRIS MURPHY OUR RECENTLY ELECTED SENATOR DURING THE HEALTH CARE BATTLE. I TOLD HIM "I AM 71 YEARS OLD AND THIS IS THE FIRST TIME IN MY LIFE THAT I'M AFRAID OF MY OWN GOVT.
IT'S NOT ABOUT HUNTING OR TARGET SHOOTING. I HAVE A SECOND AMENDMENT RIGHT TO DEFEND MY SELF AGAINST A TYRANNICAL GOVT.