

**9 Bayberry Lane
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Dear Members of the Committee:

I thank you for listening.

- 1- I agree with outlawing and transferring high capacity guns and ammunition
_ more then 7 rounds**
- 2- Provide a background checks for everyone on guns & ammunition &
transfers**
- 3- And strengthen CT's assault weapon's ban.**
- 4- Straw men sales should be prosecuted .**

**Also think of how many deaths and hospital visits you are preventing. You will
improve people's mental heath and the quality of life .**

My heart goes out to any one who has experienced gun violence.

**My brother in -law's brother got upset during divorce proceedings drank a lot
did not sleep and obtained a gun and shot his wife at work & then himself.
Two children left orphans.**

**A coworker got lyme disease -in his 2o's - he became depressed - obtained a
gun & shot himself.**

**Dick Cavett said as a depressed person many times you want to kill yourself
and if you have a gun it is easier to do it , not realizing that you will feel better
if you get help.**

Sincerely,

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