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Dear Members of the Judiciary Committee:

I write to you as a lifelong Connecticut resident, a concerned citizen, but mostly as a mother of two. One of those children is a 14 year old who suffers from mental health challenges and has recently attempted suicide.

As a result I have seen so many kids in our state who are struggling. Through education and resources many will get help and get healthy. However, prevention is still the key. That is why it is critical that gun owners be required to safely secure all firearms. While many gun owners understand this, it is clear too many do not as evidenced by so many news reports of child involved accidental shootings and the story of Ethan Song in our own state. Therefore, **I write in support of HB-7218: An Act Concerning Safe Storage of Firearms in the Home.**

**Additionally I document my support of the following bills:**

- 1) HB 7219: An Act Concerning Ghost Guns
- 2) HB 7223: An Act Concerning the Storage of a Pistol or a Revolver in a Motor Vehicle.
- 3) SB 60: An Act Concerning the Presentation of a Carry Permit

Connecticut has been a leader in gun safety and I encourage you to continue that progress.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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