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Subject: Support for HB7218 and HB7223, S.B.60, HB7219

Senator Winfield, Representative Stafstrom, ranking members Kissel and Rebimbas and distinguished members of the Joint Committee on the Judiciary:

My name is Judianne Wallace, I am from Branford, Connecticut. I am the Director of Pilgrim Fellowship, a youth ministry program of the First Congregational Church of Guilford, CT. I also work in youth ministry at Greens Farms Church in Westport, CT. And I volunteer at high schools, and junior high schools on the CT shoreline in various capacities, as well as at many hours volunteering in Sandy Hook with churches and the Resiliency Center.

I am testifying in support of H.B. 7218, An Act Concerning the Safe Storage of Firearms in the Home and H.B. 7223, An Act Concerning the Safe Storage of Firearms in Vehicles.

It has been unthinkable the number of heart wrenching memorials for children, I have attended in my 7 years in youth ministry in CT. This is reason I totally support the work of gun violence prevention and feel these Acts must be passed for the safety of the children as well as adults. It is vital to justice and just the right thing to do for children and safety in Connecticut.

The proposed legislation for Safe Storage could possibly have saved the life of Ethan Song, a dedicated and beloved member of Pilgrim Fellowship. It is IMPORTANT. And it can make a difference for the future lives of all people. The Act concerning Ghost Guns and Concerning the Presentation of a Carry Permit are also Acts which can save lives and heighten safety measures in CT concerning gun violence and heartbreaking situations and accidents.

I strongly support all the proposed legislation being put forward on March 11th; H.B.7218, H.B. 7219, H.B. 7223, and S.B. 60. And I urge you to favorably vote these bills out of the Judiciary Committee.

Sincerely,
Judianne Wallace
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