

There has been too much violence in our communities across the United States and most recently the senseless tragedy here in Connecticut. I have a 5 year old daughter attending kindergarten, her name is Ava, even though I can't feel what the parents and loved ones of the victims are going through, I do know I don't care to, the reality of the matter is unless a devastation of such magnitude has happened to you personally you can't know the horror only imagine it.

I reassure my wife our 5 year old daughter Ava is safe, our school's reassure parents our children are safe which in fact is a untruth, I am reassuring my wife with a false statement just as our schools and legislators alike are doing.

The fact is our children are NOT safe, the truth be told our children have never been more unsafe.

Since 1990 our children have been the most vulnerable to such violence. In theory the so called "Gun Free Zones" work to keep our children safe but reality demands that this is a false statement a untruth a false sense of security, reality is yelling our children are not safe in these Gun Free Zones but in fact they are most susceptible to violent crime. Time and time again we have not listened!

The fact, the reality is human beings apt to take the path of least resistance, for example one would traverse a mountain side rather than climb straight up, the path of least resistance, using the principle of leverage, the path of least resistance, based on this simple fact this simple truth of human nature to take the path of least resistance one can easily surmise a Gun Free Zone is truly a path of least resistance for the Criminal. Our children are not safe that is fact and simply reality within these Gun Free Zones.

We point to the inanimate object that has the power and is the blame, the culprit, the evil of such doing's and dismiss that it is indeed the human being with the power, the will, the desire to do these horrific acts, have we become so arrogant as human beings to believe we are above this? That we humans have risen above such atrocities? Have we forgotten that we are responsible for our own actions, have we forgotten we humans do in fact command the very objects we hold to blame?

My child is not safe in the Gun Free Zone, your child is not safe in a Gun Free Zone, no one is safe in a Gun Free Zone except the CRIMINAL. How many have to die before you accept this? Must our DEFENSELESS children continue to die due to the dismissal of the truth, due to politics, due to agendas?

The Criminal does not abide by laws this is fact, we must embrace a different approach besides doing the same thing over and over expecting different results, the law is only as strong as the will of the individual to follow it, again I ask you how many must die?

You have all the reports, you know the statistics, you have all the facts there is no need for me to cite them to you, you know Connecticut is ranked in the top 5 strictest gun law states and yet this horrific act happened here in Connecticut despite the law. You know it's the Human and not the object.

New Gun Control Laws are unproductive and does not solve the problem I oppose any and all new proposals

Re-instatement of a FAILED Gun Ban is unproductive and does not solve the problem.

The simple fact is that the HUMAN who wishes to do bodily harm will do so regardless of the Law, this is a proven fact.

I am NOT in support of any proposed legislation that does not directly impact the issue

I am NOT in support of any further firearm restrictions to law abiding citizens

I am NOT in favor of providing a path of least resistance for the Criminal.

I am in favor of bullet proofing our schools

I am in favor of eliminating Gun Free Zones

I am in favor of allowing teachers the option of defending our children and themselves.

I am in favor in paying higher taxes to have full time ARMED Police Officers at every Gun Free Zone.

I am in favor of RESTRICTING the criminal and NOT the law abiding citizen.

I say to you if in fact public safety is the agenda and saving lives is a priority then let us face the truth let us face reality that in fact it is the HUMAN that defies the law and NOT the object, with this knowledge we must act accordingly, I say to you let us NOT be swayed by personal and political agendas, I say to you let us NOT dismiss reality, the truth and fact!

I look forward to hearing your thought's

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