Dear Members of the Committee,

I am a college junior, 20 years old, from Fairfield, Connecticut. My two decades of life have been defined by events of violence which have shaken our world, and affected my own life forever. When I was seven, Columbine ... and in these past few years, Aurora ... mass shootings in malls ... and now my own beloved state of Connecticut, traumatized by the events of December 14.

My generation has been forever affected by what we have witnessed. I urge you to pass legislation that will remove assault weapons from our state, and get rid of the terrible high-capacity magazines. My generation is looking to yours to make us safer. I thank you for your attention, and look forward to seeing what action you take.

Thank you, Brigitta Schuchert