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It's time to change things.

I am supporting the legislative agenda put forth by CAGV which includes a ban on high capacity ammunition magazines. There are many other restrictions recommended on the agenda and I believe they are the right steps in creating safer laws for this state.

We can own guns in this country, and we can be safe, but the NRA and gun fanatics and their hateful rhetoric are completely responsible for the inability in our country to develop and implement smart and safe gun rules. The Brady Campaign was so important, and we have just forgotten about it because President Bush decided to ignore it instead of extending it.

We need to look at other countries with successful gun policies. Norway and Sweden have high gun ownership rates, but low gun murder rates. Hunting is a big deal in those countries and people have guns for hunting. But they don't have automatic weapons, they have restrictions on handguns, limits to ammunition storage and purchasing, special rules for gun collectors, required gun safes, and applications to buy guns.

Shame on every gun owner out there who is blind to the truth that automatic weapons are responsible for many more deaths in this country than there needs to be. Stop being so scared that if your automatic weapons are banned then all your guns will be taken away, it's short sighted and narrow minded. Look at the facts and the statistics and you will see how change is needed... it will happen, so be a part of that change instead of blindly fighting it!

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