

I implore the esteemed bi-partisan group to consider the gravity of any decision that further infringes upon our 2nd Amendment rights. As you all are aware, law-abiding citizens are already subject to many obstacles to obtain and maintain gun permits; including gun safety courses, fingerprinting, photo ID, not to mention the multitude of fees all required to exercise our fundamental rights. We must protect the rights of law-abiding citizens and instead tackle the issue of gun violence committed by those with no regard to obtain guns legally. Let us also publicly examine the data surrounding the use of guns to deter crime and a historical record incapable of correlating greater infringements upon citizens to reductions in gun violence.

As a father of four children, I am saddened and have the deepest empathy for the victims and survivors of Sandy Hook. However, I do not wish to leave my children a legacy of reactionary decisions that will forever impact their future and their rights as law-abiding US citizens.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Your humble citizen,  
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