

Dear Legislator:

I am deeply saddened by the tragedy that occurred in my town, Newtown, and am asking that improved gun control laws be passed. I am **not** asking that the 2<sup>nd</sup> amendment be jeopardized and I do believe in the right to bear arms. However, I do not believe civilians should have the right to own assault weapons. The vision of civilians being allowed to own assault weapons and the damage these weapons do when in the wrong hands, is deeply disturbing to me. Gun licenses should include at minimum a background check, finger printing, a class on gun safety, target practice hours and possible other measures that should be decided by a committee of experts. It is so important that we do everything we can to ensure the safety of our children and other innocent citizens.

'Control Laws' work and they do save lives! Better alcohol related driving laws have saved lives. Not allowing people to leave a hospital without an infant car seat has saved babies lives. The seatbelt law has saved lives. Since we care enough to put these laws into effect, we should care enough to tighten our gun control laws.

I am asking that you never forget what happened in Newtown on December 14, 2012. I never will. I am asking that you show the 26 victims that they did not die in vain, that perhaps because of their deaths, more lives will be saved and innocent people will feel safer with better 'gun control' laws.

Thank you for your time. Fran Wong, Broken Hearted in Newtown

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