

Dear Elected Officials,

As a father of 4 year old twin boys who attend a public school in North Haven CT, I was horrified as the scene unfolded in Newtown CT on Dec 14th 2012.

In the aftermath of Dec 14th shooting, I refused to drop my children off for school until the following Wednesday on Dec 19th 2012.

I was terrified that another Adam Lanza would follow through with a copy cat crime.

When my wife and I reluctantly decided to bring our children back to school, I couldn't help feeling helpless and highly skeptical at the level of protection offered by the public school system.

Since Dec 14th 2012, I continuously fear for my children's safety and welfare while at school. The sacred bond of trust in the CT public school system to protect my children has diminished entirely.

Once Adam Lanza breached the perimeter and entered Sandy Hook Elementary School, neither the teachers or the students had a chance when confronted by him.

They were entirely at the mercy of Adam Lanza as he indiscriminately killed our communities most precious and prized possessions, our children.

Sadly, Adam Lanza was unabated on Dec 14th 2012 as he destroyed the lives of a community and shattered a nation.

The teachers and children had no chance that morning except to cower in a corner and pray to their god, that they would not be next.

Thankfully, Adam Lanza ended his own life before walking into another classroom.

In the aftermath of this monstrous act , I watched the media and politicians alike begin their assault on on lawful owners of firearms.

I've read your proposed gun laws and asked myself , how would this prevent another Adam Lanza? Truth is, it will not.

The only thing your proposed "gun laws and gun control" bills will do is offer a band-aide approach to a larger problem of mental health and appease those who want an unarmed population.

Without having committed a crime, you have chosen to put a majority of Connecticut Citizen who own a firearms on trial.

As a father who's children attend a public school, there would have been no greater satisfaction in the aftermath of the Newtown massacre than knowing an armed teacher , security guard or police officer was present to offer my children a chance of survival if another Adam Lanza decides to attack.

Your proposed gun laws will do nothing to prevent another Adam Lanza . Your proposed gun laws will do nothing to protect my myself , my wife or my children.

provide armed personnel within our schools!

Leave the law abiding citizens alone, WE ARE NOT THE PROBLEM!

Sincerely,

**Jason Crouch
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