

To whom it may concern:

I am writing to express my support for banning the sale of ALL assault rifles. My name is Kimberly Ammerman-Gerke and I am a resident of Stamford, Connecticut. My husband, Chris Ammerman-Gerke and I have two children: Chloe who is ten years old and Charles who is eight. We, as a family, do not believe that ANY good can come from having weapons such as those used in the Sandy Hook tragedy.

As a woman who was born and raised in the Midwest, I can understand the desire and need for hunting rifles. And, although we would never own one, a handgun which is properly secured in your home and purchased with the right background checks is admissible. It is obvious however that neither of these exceptions come close to the amount of damage which could be and has been done with semi-automatics.

I strongly do not believe in the false claim that owning these types of weapons is included ANYWHERE in this great nation's Constitution or Bill of Rights. Muskets do not compare.

Let us come together and show ourselves to be reasonable and respectful of one another. Let us live up to those ideals expressed by a people who so greatly yearned for the rights we use everyday without a thought; those of free speech and freedom of religion, etc. Let's hear all voices peacefully and act according.

This is my greatest desire and I will continue to work hard to make this country more safe for the sake of my two beloved children.

Most Sincerely,

Kimberly Ammerman-Gerke