

Dear Senator Looney, Representative Miner and fellow task force members,

Gun control legislation will be the most important vote you cast. The guns being used for mass shootings should not be allowed to be sold. We do not allow citizens to own grenades or rocket launchers, because we know the danger they pose is greater than the advantages. As a community we sometimes have to restrict the rights of one to protect the rest of us. I do not have a problem with people having guns to hunt or target shoot, but the only purpose for assault weapons is to kill someone.

Please do whatever you can to make sure that these weapons do not get into the hands of the wrong people. As we saw in Newtown, even making sure that the person that buys the gun is qualified to own it does not keep it out of the hands of someone that should not have possession of it. We need to get guns under control.

I support legislation to require universal background checks on all sales and transfers, limits on clips and magazines of more than 10 rounds, and a ban on assault weapons. Our families need these laws and as a civil society we demand them.

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