

It has come to my attention that at today's General Assembly there were those describing guns as "lifesaving devices." Please know that there are many Connecticut residents who disagree wholeheartedly with this statement. I don't have a gun, want a gun nor need a gun. I say this because having a gun in the house puts those who live in the house at great risk either by turning the gun on each another family member or on themselves.

Guns are a public health issue.. there are laws restricting smoking, the consumption of alcohol and there should be so much more with respect to guns. I urge you to support universal background checks, fingerprint technology and ban the sale of rapid fire ammunition clips. We don't need these military style weapons in our communities.

Responsible gun ownership means different things to different people. For one person it could mean keeping the gun in a shoebox in an unlocked closet ... that's just not enough for me. Setting a standard that legally sets parameters on what weapons people have can go a long way in limiting these life-destroying devices.

Thank you,

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