

My name is Meg Staunton, and my co-hort, Nancy Lefkowitz, and I are the founders of the bipartisan, grassroots organization, March For Change, which hopefully you know about at this point. I want you all to take a hard look at something: WHY do the national polls tell us that most Americans are in favor of universal registration of guns and background checks of all people who purchase a gun? And yet, WHY are people saying this legislation is going to be difficult if not impossible to pass? I want to know WHY does the leadership of the NRA have such a loud voice? AND WHY does 70% of the NRA want this kind of legislative change and yet THEIR voices aren't being heard? Now that we've had a horrific disaster so close to home, perhaps it is time for EVERYONE to reconsider their positions. WHY do YOU believe it is appropriate to permit military type weapons and high capacity ammunition magazines available to the public? Is it worth the lives of our children? I've seen polls that say over 50% of the NRA members support these common sense solutions -- and while I recognize the NRA leadership does NOT support these changes (in fact, they seem not to support any change whatsoever in our gun laws) -- WHY should that change what you do here today? People will live or die based on how YOU decide to vote. PLEASE listen to the people. Listen to the thousands of people that will join me in our March for Change on Valentine's Day. Thank you.

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