

Hello!

I am a resident artist and a mother of a child in the Hartford Public School system. I have some thoughts I would like to share.

When the First Amendment was passed we were living in a completely different environment. Guns were needed for protection and to settle the west.

We've evolved into a violent culture since then. Guns in the hands of gangs, mass shootings everywhere. I love my country and it's hard to stomach. I worry for my daughter's safety and for that matter the safety of our future grandchildren.

I would not be happy unless you banned gun ownership. Only the police, the military and ranch owners and hunters who clear an exhaustive background check should own a gun.

Please get them off the streets and out of homes. We have many other more constructive ways to get our kicks.

Please evolve into the twentieth century. Nobody needs a gun.

I hope for change.

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