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**IB 5436, HB 5076, and SB 359 "Assault Weapons Ban"**

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Dear Representative Noret,

I am reaching out to you this evening to voice my strong opposition to the proposed AWB, HB 5436. As well as HB 5076 and SB 359. I am a law-abiding gun owner and active voter who is appalled by this proposed infringement on my rights and privacy. The intentions of this bill are to make hundreds of thousands of LEGAL gun owners in the state of Rhode island criminals overnight. It is disgusting that the 13th original colony and one of the major arms manufacturing states during the revolutionary war (which founded our great country) has now taken up this disarmament stance. During the American Revolution Rhode Island was home to several gunsmiths and small-scale arms manufacturers who supplied weapons to the Continental Army and local militias. These operations were often family-run businesses, producing muskets, pistols, and bayonets.

I cite all of this history to state simply, though the technology has advanced, our rights as citizens were paid for with the blood of our forefathers. The ideals and principles that they laid forth in Thomas Paine's Common Sense is evidence enough and argument enough that it led to the Declaration of Independence, and furthermore The Bill of Rights. The rights that now so-called "Statesmen" wish to infringe upon with these proposed legislations. I do not ever wish to trade personal liberties for the illusion of safety to which there is no guarantee. As a genuine citizen whom respects the personal freedoms which we are all granted by our creator, I am stating plainly this bill and the others are a force of subjugation. They will tie law-abiding citizens up and turn them criminal by no fault of their own, with no crime committed, and no violence purported. I strongly urge you as your constituent to oppose these bills and any like it that may be crafted in the future. They are a harmful use of authority over our individual liberties and would breed criminal cases that may not have ever existed without this form of gross overstep by our legislatures.

Thank you, and God bless.

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