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## TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN,

THE HOUSE BILLS CONCERNING AN ASSAUT WEAPONS BAN AND DANGEROUS NEW STORAGE REQUIREMENTS FOR FIREARMS WILL ACCOMPLISH ABSOLUTELY NOTHING. I REPEAT, "IT WILL ACCOMPLISH ABSOLUTELY NOTHING," OTHER THAN DEPRIVING LAW ABIDING CITIZENS OF THE RIGHT TO SELF DEFENSE AND THE ABILITY TO EXERCISE THEIR 2D AMENDMENT RIGHTS.

FIRST, THOSE WANTING TO COMMIT MASS MURDER WITH WHAT IS CALLED AN "ASSAULT WEAPON" CAN DO SO WITH ANY SEMI-AUTOMATIC PISTOL. SECONDLY, SUCH DRACONIAN STORAGE REQUIREMENTS ROB A HOMEOWNER OF THE ABILITY TO DEFEND HIMSELF AND HIS FAMILY AGAINST AN INTRUDER BENT ON DOING SEVERE HARM.

IF THE PURPOSE OF THIS IS ENHANCED PUBLIC SAFETY THIS IS TOTALLY USELESS. MASS KILLINGS WILL STILL BE POSSIBLE AND A LAW-ABIDING CITIZEN CANNOT DEFEND HIMSELF AND HIS FAMILY FROM PROFOUND DANGER. I AM THEREFORE OPPOSED TO THESE BILLS.

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