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**Subject:** Constituent Letter Re: RI 2026 Bill H7636 — Voluntary Firearm Restrictions Act

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Dear Rep. Justine Caldwell and Sen. Bridget Valverde,

As a constituent and resident of East Greenwich, I am writing to express my strong support for RI 2026 H7636, the "Voluntary Firearm Restrictions Act". I firmly believe that this bill is a crucial step towards promoting public safety and responsible gun ownership in our state. By creating a voluntary do-not-sell/possess list for firearms, we can empower individuals who may be struggling with mental health issues or other personal challenges to take proactive steps to protect themselves and those around them.

I support this bill for several reasons. Firstly, it has the potential to reduce the risk of gun-related suicides, which are a devastating reality for many Rhode Island families. By allowing individuals to voluntarily restrict their own access to firearms, we can help prevent tragic losses of life. Additionally, this bill can help to prevent domestic violence incidents by enabling individuals to restrict their partner's access to firearms. I have seen firsthand the impact of domestic violence on families in our community, and I believe that this bill can be a valuable tool in preventing such incidents. Furthermore, the voluntary nature of this program ensures that it respects individual rights while promoting public safety. Lastly, it can also help to reduce the risk of accidental shootings, especially among children.

I urge you to vote yes on H7636. I appreciate the time and effort you dedicate to serving our community, and I thank you for your public service.

With appreciation for your public service, Jonathan Newkirk East Greenwich, RI