# **ULSTER COUNTY LEGISLATURE**

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#### **MINUTES**

# **FEBRUARY 19, 2013**

#### **REGULAR MEETING**

ULSTER PERFORMING ARTS CENTER, 601 BROADWAY, KINGSTON, NY 12401

7:00 PM

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN: 7:00 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG: Led by Kingston resident Ken Cooper

MOMENT OF SILENT MEDITATION:

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# FIRE EVACUATION PLAN

PLEASE NOTE THAT IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY; PLEASE EXIT THE THEATER FOLLOWING THE EXIT SIGNS AND MOVE AT LEAST ONE BLOCK AWAY FROM THE THEATER IN ORDER NOT TO IMPEDE THE FIREFIGHTERS IN THEIR DUTIES

#### **CELL PHONES**

Please silence cell phones and refrain from texting for the duration of Session.

# **MICROPHONES**

Please be reminded to use your microphones when speaking so that you are recorded for the official record.

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**ROLL CALL:** Present: 22 Absent: 1

(Legislator Lopez)

(Legislator Briggs left at 10:15 PM)

**BIRTHDAYS:** Richard Parete, February 25; Terry Bernardo, February 28; T.J. Briggs, March 7

# MOTION TO DISPENSE WITH THE READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS

**MEETING:** Legislator Ronk motioned, seconded by Legislator Donaldson.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS FROM:**

Legislative Chairman Bernardo

Town of Rochester

Kingston City Planning Negative Declaration – Kingston

Meadows Senior Housing

Ulster County Assn. of Town Supervisors & Mayors January 22, 2013 Letter – Sup. Carl

Chipman

Ancient Order of Hibernians January Letter, Advertising Form,

Rules & Regulations, Registration

Form

NY Municipal Insurance Reciprocal February 4, 2013 Reception Invitation

Laberge Group Grant Alert Local Government

**Efficiency Grants** 

Ulster County Comptroller Memorandum re: Investment Policy Kingston City Planning Memorandum re: Kingston Meadows

**SEQR** Negative Declaration

Ulster County United Way Free Tax Preparation

Diamond Mills Ulster Chamber Discount Offer

Fire Advisory Board January 2013 Minutes

NYS Department of State Confirmation of January 2, 2013

Filing of Local Law 10 2012

New York Association of Counties *NYSAC*, Volume 14, Issue 1, Winter

2013

Village of Ellenville January 13, 2013 Letter, Resolution Central Hudson Energy Bulletin, January 2013

Calendar of Events, 2013 February,

March & April

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# **COMMUNICATIONS** (continued):

**UCIDA** 

**Hodgson Russ** 

**SUNY Ulster** 

Ulster County Clerk Ulster County Tourism Ulster County Community Services Board NYS Dept. Environmental Conservation

Catskill Mountain Railroad Co., Inc.

Town of Shandaken Catskill Watershed Corporation

Ulster County RRA

Ulster County Area Transit

Ulster County Chamber of Commerce

Ulster County Chamber of Commerce

Toski & Co., P.C.

UC Human Rights Commission Community Services Board Proposed MHMG-KM Kingston LLC

Project

EA Flatbush, LLC Project

Wolftec, Inc. Project

Audited Financial Statements Year

Ending August 31, 2012 2012 Annual Report

Cultural Heritage Guide Notice of Appointments to Board

Acknowledgment of Resolution No.

278

Letter in Response to State of the

County Address

Clerk Certified Resolution #58-13

February 6, 2013 Adopted Resolutions

No. 2245 – 2253

January 13, 2013 letter with Hauler Application; Attachment A and Attachment B, Local Law Number 4

of 2010, Local Law Number 10, 2012;

and Local Law No. 9 of 1991 Grant #NY-96-X021 Arra Grant

Grant #NY-90-X654-00

Social February 19, 2013 @ Mariner's Harbor, Artcraft Business Cards/Brochures/Flyers Offer; Health

Alliance Free Heart Screenings 7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m February 20 Membership Breakfast; Ski Packages

available in Ulster County; Ulster BOCES Success Story; Team Ireland

25<sup>th</sup> Annual Shamrock Run, March 10, 2013, 12:50 p.m.; Miles of HOPE

Breast Cancer Foundation, 9th Annual

Brunch – May 5, 2013

Letter with County Jail & Commissary

Year Ended December 31, 2012

January 3, 2013 Minutes

January 14, 2013 Minutes

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# **COMMUNICATIONS** (continued):

LWV of Mid-Hudson Region Community Foundations of Hudson Valley Catskill Center

Saugerties Historical Society Youth Board Commentator, February 2013
A Sense of Communities, Newsletter
Lake Placid Olympic Facilities Tour,
March 14, 2013
Winter 2012 Newsletter
December 20, 2012 Minutes

#### **COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS:**

Adopted Budget 2013 2013 Adopted Budget Personnel Listing January 2013 Budgetary Transfers 2013 State of the County Address Letter re: Mental Health Issue with Chart Statement Expenditures, of Encumbrances & Unencumbered Balance & State of Revenues Earned & Unearned Balance Year to Date as of December 31, 2012 (Preliminary)

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Economic Development & Tourism Environmental, Energy & Technology Health & Personnel Law Enforcement & Public Safety Laws & Rules, Governmental Services Public Works & Capital Projects Social Services

Ways and Means

#### **DATE:**

December 17, 2012 November 29, 2012 January 7, 2013 January 8, 2013 January 15, 2013 November 28, 2012 November 8, 2012 November 26, 2012 December 18, 2012 January 15, 2013 January 22, 2013 MINUTES
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Chairman Terry L. Bernardo extended gratitude to County Executive Michael Hein, Deputy Executive Robert Sudlow in coordinating the efforts of the Departments of Information Services, Buildings and Grounds, Planning and UCAT. Chairman Bernardo also extended gratitude to Ulster County Sheriff Paul VanBlarcum, Undersheriff Faluotico and Kingston City Police Chief Egidio Tinti for their services as well as Director Chris Silva and the UPAC staff for arranging the use of UPAC with such short time constraints.

**PRESENTATIONS:** There are no presentations scheduled for tonight's meeting.

# PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Chairman Terry L. Bernardo recognized Chris Silva, Executive Director of the Bardavon and the Ulster Performing Arts Center (UPAC) who provided a presentation on the programs and services offered by UPAC.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** There were 62 public commentators.

#### 1. **Joe Michaels:**

Mr. Michaels stated he is a resident of Shandaken as well as a licensed professional engineer who was appearing on behalf of the Catskill Mountain Railroad requesting the reinstatement of the Catskill Mountain Railroad Advisory Committee. Mr. Michaels stated that FEMA grants were available and if accessed, could be used jointly for a rail with trail system. He felt this was a viable option if the Railroad Advisory Committee was in place. Mr. Michaels stated that, as a hunter and sportsman, he supported the Second Amendment and felt their heritage needed to be preserved.

# 2. George Bain:

Mr. Bain stated he was a gun owner, pistol permit carrier and a supporter of the Second Amendment but that wasn't why he was in attendance. Mr. Bain spoke in support of the Catskill Mountain Railroad hoping to bring tourist into Ulster County, with the help of volunteers. He stated he believed success would be in reinstating the Catskill Mountain Railroad Committee.

#### 3. **Peter Fluchere:**

Mr. Fluchere stated that volunteers had worked over the weekend on a switch in the yard on Cornell Street in Kingston to bring the Route 209 railroad cars back for restoration. Mr. Fluchere asked that the Committee be re-formed.

### 4. **Neil Isabelle**:

Mr. Isabelle stated his concern for the rails in Ulster County and that the Catskill Mountain Railroad needed to be preserved. He also stated his support for the Second Amendment.

#### 5. Earl Pardini:

Mr. Pardini stated that he hoped that the Railroad Advisory Committee would be reinstated and voiced his support for the Second Amendment.

# 6. **Dan Howard:**

Mr. Howard spoke in support of a rail with trails system. Mr. Howard indicated that the railroad aspect was the option for mobility impaired individuals to access the beauty of the area.

# 7. **John Patane:**

Mr. Patane stated he was a locomotive engineer and heavy equipment operator who noted the railroad was a county asset and tourist attraction. He felt the rails with trails plan was feasible.

# 8. **Sion Mitrany**:

Mr. Mitrany echoed the opinions of the speakers before him with regard to the railroad. He wished to speak on the issue of property taxes and the methodology Ulster County used to collect on tax arrearages. He believed there were better ways in collection.

# 9. **Auguste VanEtten**:

Mr. VanEtten spoke specifically in support of draft Resolution 0154.

# 10. **Don Badgley**:

Mr. Badgley addressed two clauses of the draft Resolution that dealt with the Second Amendment. Mr. Badgley asked that the entire 27 words of the Second Amendment be recognized, stating that the first 13 words of the Amendment had been ignored. Written statement on file with the Clerk of the Legislature.

# 11. **Dan LeFever:**

Written statement on file with the Clerk of the Legislature.

#### 12. Chris Acosta:

Mr. Acosta spoke in defense of the Second Amendment but against the draft Resolution; considered it meaningless. He congratulated Governor Cuomo for having courage to do something.

# 13. Lin Sakai:

Ms. Sakai asked the Legislature to "please protect children, not guns" and to not support the Resolution.

#### 14. **David Sides:**

Written statement on file with the Clerk of the Legislature.

## 15. Nick Alba:

Written statement on file with the Clerk of the Legislature.

# 16. Alice Cook:

Written statement on file with the Clerk of the Legislature.

#### 17. **Joe Livoti:**

Mr. Livoti spoke in support of the S.A.F.E. Act stating that assault weapons on the streets aren't necessary, all guns should be registered and that it was a responsibility that all should take seriously.

#### 18. **Karen Charman**:

Written statement on file with the Clerk of the Legislature.

#### 19. **Roscoe Pecora**:

Mr. Pecora stated he was a former Ulster County Legislator who didn't agree with the proposed Resolution as written and believed that it should be referred back to Committee.

# 20. **Tom Rinaldo**:

Mr. Rinaldo stated he was a Shandaken resident who strongly supported the railroad. In addition, he supported the Second Amendment and the U.S. Constitution but that limits exist and should exist and the roll of government is to protect the citizens.

# 21. **Robert Lippman:**

Written statement on file with the Clerk of the Legislature.

### 22. **Joanne Chamberlain**:

Ms. Chamberlain stated she was the President of the Ulster County Democratic Women and spoke out against the draft Resolution 0154. She urged the Legislature to not move forward with the Resolution.

# 23. Anne Wandres:

Ms. Wandres stated she was a Town of Ulster resident who was in opposition to draft Resolution 0154 and supported the S.A.F.E Act. Ms. Wandres believed that message was conveyed by what it supported and the SAFE Act was conveying a correct message.

# 24. **Gary Bischoff:**

Mr. Bischoff stated the Legislature shouldn't be passing the proposed Resolution. Mr. Bischoff stated that erring on the side of safety was needed rather than erring on side of convenience.

#### 25. Jackie Brownstein:

Ms. Brownstein stated she was a New Paltz resident and urged the Legislature not to pass the draft Resolution asking for repeal of the SAFE Act. Ms. Brownstein referenced a Sienna College poll which supported gun control.

#### 26. Rich Vizzini:

Mr. Vizzini stated that the SAFE Act not only violated the Second Amendment and the United States and New York State Constitutions but does nothing to protect the citizens or our children. He stated that the NYS Penal Code, as written, makes an individual owning a gun with a 30 round magazine grouped into the same category as a rapist and a child molester for something that was previously legal. He asked that the Legislature vote "yes" on the proposed Resolution.

#### 27. Russell Oakes:

Mr. Oakes stated the people allowed elected government officials to pass grossly unjust laws in the middle of the night, under false pretenses, without involvement of the people. He felt allowing that type of midnight legislation set the stage for future legislation of that type.

# 28. Laurel Lindewall:

Ms. Lindewall stated citizens didn't have life insurance at the end of a barrel.

# 29. **Dr. Jeffrey Saffir**:

Dr. Saffir stated law abiding citizens who own guns were not the problem and gun control laws were not serving the purpose as indicated.

# 30. **Michael Leone**:

Mr. Leone asked the Legislature to support proposed Resolution 0154. He remarked that individuals were interpreting the Constitution and the Second Amendment in their own terms. He added the mental health issue was completely separate from the Second Amendment issue.

# 31. **Donna Greco**:

Ms. Greco provided a reflection on the past history in which dictators disarmed citizens which resulted in the government having free rule of the people. She stated the Second Amendment provides protection from a tyrannical government.

# 32. Attilio Contini:

Mr. Contini noted he was a former Ulster County Legislator and stated issues that were the cause of the problem needed to be addressed, such as drug use and mental health. In his opinion, he stated the law should not have been entitled SAFE NY ACT but rather NYS Act of Treason.

#### 33. **Dennis Williams:**

Mr. Williams stated he was one of the faces of the NRA and that it was not the gun, but the person pulling the trigger, that killed.

# 34. **Jay Martin:**

Mr. Martin stated he was raised by his family to "do the right thing" and that the resolution presented wasn't a Democratic or Republican thing but a freedom/constitutional issue. He stated that contrary to what has been said about Draft Resolution 0154, it has become the benchmark in other counties. He asked that the Legislature support Draft Resolution 0154 and "do the right thing."

#### 35. **James Smiseth:**

Mr. Smiseth stated he was representing the Ulster County Federated Sportsmen which represents about 4,800 sportsmen and their families. He referred to the shooting at Newtown and stated the assault rifle referenced wasn't used but was found in the trunk of the car.

# 36. **Darrell Berg:**

Mr. Berg encouraged the passing of the Resolution. Written statement on file with the Clerk of the Legislature.

#### 37. **Patricia DuBois:**

Written statement on file with the Clerk of the Legislature.

#### 38. Gaetana Ciarlente:

Ms.Ciarlente stated she was a licensed clinical social worker. She stated that she had taken a gun safety course and conveyed some of what she had learned. She reviewed certain requirements on background checks with regard to pistol permit applications. She stated there was no need for the SAFE Act as there were already strict laws in place.

# 39. **Tom Maerling:**

Written statement on file with the Clerk of the Legislature.

#### 40. **James Uhl:**

Mr. Uhl remarked that rewarding terrorism is a bad precedent to set and that the kid in Newtown was a terrorist who copied a man in Norway. He felt if the United States cowers to this, it would set a bad precedent. He believed that Governor Cuomo put the future children in danger by allowing that kid to go down in history as "gutting" the Second Amendment.

# 41. **Robert Conyea:**

Mr. Conyea commented regarding the Constitution and asked for support of the Second Amendment. He felt the Constitution must be taken in its entirety. He presented an article entitled "Order from General Thomas Gage to March to Concord" which is on file with the Clerk of the Legislature.

#### 42. **Vin Bernstein:**

Mr. Bernstein stated the SAFE Act flies in the face of the United States Constitution.

#### 43. **Tom Mihalics:**

Mr. Mihalics stated he was a New Paltz resident, a gun owner and also a firearms instructor. He stated most people that owned firearms weren't hunters. He expressed being disheartened in the way in which the Governor went about in passing in the NY SAFE Act.

# 44. Ed Gaddy:

Mr. Gaddy asked for support of the Resolution stating the Founding Fathers believed the contents of the Second Amendment were so important that it was made the 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment. Mr. Gaddy stated armed people are citizens, unarmed people are subjects. He felt the Governor robbed people with his "cat burglar" legislation. He noted that if the Resolution wasn't passed, they would "remember in November."

### 45. Nona McKeever:

Ms. McKeever spoke in support of the SAFE Act and stated the Resolution didn't support her.

# 46. **George Campian:**

Mr. Campian stated was a United States veteran and gun owner who understood both sides of the issue. He felt action needed to be taken to curtail gun violence. He wanted to know if anyone brought attention to the fact of whose actions the Governor actually followed.

#### 47. **Diane Watt:**

Ms. Watt stated she was a Gardiner resident who supported the proposed Resolution and recounted her personal experience in protecting her family during two separation incidents.

# 48. **Beth Freer:**

Ms. Freer stated she was a neighbor of the Watt's who had experienced some of the same incidents. She remarked that there are bad people in the world that don't abide by the rules. She stated that the manner in which Gov. Cuomo was able to get the SAFE Act passed was sneaky and underhanded. She also wished to coin the phrase iterated earlier - "Remember in November."

#### 49. **James Freer:**

Mr. Freer agreed with his wife and stated they both serve in the Department of Corrections. He felt the inmates he had dealt with had more consideration to their rights than that given to law abiding citizens by Governor Cuomo.

# 50. **Gerry Fornino**:

Mr. Fornino referenced the difference between the right to bear arms as opposed to privileges; such as the privilege to drive a car. He recalled the terrorist attacks using fertilizer on the World Trade towers and Oklahoma City. He suggested rather than guns, fertilizer should be regulated.

#### 51. **Robert Garrett:**

Mr. Garrett discussed illegal people, such as those involved in gangs, drug addicts, etc, committing crimes and not legal people. He felt the focus should be placed there. He stated that the Governor hasn't done justice as to what is required of gun owners.

#### 52. **Bill Mansfield:**

Mr. Mansfield stated he had been an Afghanistan soldier. He remarked on how the NY SAFE Act was run through without the 3-day review period when there were only three sections that went into effect immediately. He questioned, where was the "need for necessity." He stated what troubled him the most was the section that made him a criminal overnight.

#### 53. **Joe Liuni:**

Mr. Liuni remarked that the person from New Paltz should read "Heller v. DEC." He commended the Legislature for going through the process. He indicated that some of the blame should be placed on the State Legislators who voted for the law. He reviewed the processing by the Federation of handgun applications. He noted these applications were comprised of professionals and woman, among others.

#### 54. Christine Williams:

Ms. Williams provided her educational and personal background. She stated she has been an educator and was always interested in firearms; learning the responsibility of firearms from her parents. She reflected that she and her husband, among others in attendance, were law abiding citizens sharing the same profile. She stated the SAFE Act wasn't supported and that it needed to be repealed. She supported exposure and education, not more laws. She stated that she is involved in starting a woman's group.

# 55. **Jack Massey:**

Mr. Massey didn't support the State Act. He noted there was no call for gun control when the killings at Waco and Kent State occurred.

# 56. Eddie Gunks:

Written statement on file with the Clerk of the Legislature.

#### 57. **John Drake:**

Mr. Drake stated the purpose of gun ownership was not to kill people but to protect life, liberty and property. He finished by saying this was a constitutional republic with the right to a voice and an opinion.

# 58. **Santos Lopez:**

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Mr. Lopez felt Cuomo's laws were unconstitutional and that the people's feelings must be voiced. He stated that Governor Cuomo worked for the people and the people didn't work for him. He asked if the United States people needed to be unarmed when the world was in turmoil. He felt that Ulster County should nullify Cuomo's law.

# 59. **Jason Adsit:**

Mr. Adsit provided a definition of a "militia." He stated in a perfect world, there would be no need for guns but legal firearms were necessary given that crime exists. He stated providing a list of gun owners made them a target to gang members.

# 60. **Marie Ruger:**

Ms. Ruger stated she and her husband own a business in Ulster County that owns and sells guns. She remarked on the emotions evident that evening and that decisions were being made without representation. She stressed that the Legislators were elected by the people to represent the people. She stated that the law should be repealed. She felt they could take the good parts, such as those dealing with mental health, and start from there.

#### 61. **Jim Cranston:**

Mr. Cranston urged the Legislature to pass Resolution 52, but apologized to the people in support of the SAFE Act, stating that the heckling was not part of the democratic process.

# 62. Elmer LeSeur:

Mr. LeSeur thanked the Legislature for allowing the accommodations for all to be heard which was not a luxury that was afforded the people by the Governor. He spoke on behalf of his family, the Federated Sportsmen and the Wittenberg Sportsman. He wanted to make the point that the process used to pass the Resolution was flawed and resulted in holes in the law. He stated that the laws we have need to be enforced and violators should be punished.

Statements from Marc Rider, Susan Murphy and Janet Carter also on file with the Clerk of the Legislature.

RESOLUTION NOS: 26 - 57

Chairman Bernardo recognized Legislator Ronk for the purpose of making a motion to take Resolution No. 52 (Draft Resolution No. 154) out of order, seconded by Legislator Donaldson.

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**Resolution No. 52** - Opposing The Process Of Enactment And Certain Provisions Contained Within The New York SAFE Act

#### ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: 14 NOES: 8 (Absent: Legislator Lopez)

(Noes: Legs. Bartels, Donaldson, Gregorius, Loughran, Robert Parete, Provenzano,

Rodriguez and Wishnick)

#### **Discussion:**

Legs. Bartels, Belfiglio, Donaldson, Gregorius, Provenzano, Ronk and Wishnick each made statements in support of their respective votes.

Brief recess was called by Chairman Bernardo for the purpose of allowing members of the audience to exit the auditorium so as to not disturb the remaining proceedings.

**RESOLUTION NO. 26** – Requesting The County Personnel Officer Provide A Monthly Accounting Of All New County Employees, Employee Department Transfers, New Contract Employees, New Department And Deputy Department Head Appointments, Department Head And Deputy Department Head Transfers And Resignations Within All County Departments By Title –

#### WITHDRAWN BY SPONSORS

**RESOLUTION NO. 27** -Urging The State To Pass Legislation That Ensures The Surcharge Imposed On Wireless Telephones Is Distributed As Originally Intended

Chairman Bernardo recognized Legislator Ronk for the purpose of an amendment. Legislator Ronk motioned to amend the first "Resolved" after "Bill No. S.1720" adding "and A4357", seconded by Legislator Richard Parete.

#### **Discussion:**

Legislator Provenzano indicated that they were advised that the Assembly Bill failed therefore making it a one-house Bill. Legislator Ronk asked Legislator Provenzano through the Chairman if

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the Bill was brought to the Assembly floor and voted down. Chairman Bernardo asked Legislative Counsel Chapman for clarification to which he responded that the Bill was introduced February 4<sup>th</sup> and had not been voted on, as of yet. Legislator Richard Parete stated for the most part, all memorializing resolutions are for bills that haven't been voted on.

#### MOTION ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 20 NOES: 1 (Noes: Legislator Provenzano) (Legislator Briggs left at 10:15 PM) (Absent: Legislator Lopez)

# ADOPTED AS AMENDED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 20 NOES: 1 (Noes: Legislator Provenzano) (Legislator Briggs left at 10:15 PM) (Absent: Legislator Lopez)

Motion by Legislator Ronk to take Resolution Nos. 28 - 30 as a block, seconded by Legislator Donaldson.

**Resolutions Nos. 28 – 30** were adopted unanimously by the following vote.

#### ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 21 NOES: 0 (Legislator Briggs left at 10:15 PM) (Absent: Legislator Lopez) (Resolutions 28 & 29 Approved by the County Executive)

**Resolution No. 31 -** Approving The Execution Of Various Contracts And Change Orders In The Amount Of \$50,000.00 Or In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County

Legislator Gerentine motioned, seconded by Legislator Maio, to delete item L49-1 from the Abstract.

# **Discussion:**

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Legislator Donaldson requested according to Rule Q to separate L49-3. Legislator Council Guerin stated that there was only one proposition before the Legislature at that time and therefore, it could not be divided. Legislator Ronk indicated that there had been prior issues regarding contracts and that he would be sponsoring a Local Law to amend the Administrative Code and the manner in which contracts are brought to the floor. Legislator Bartels stated she would gladly co-sponsor that Local Law and explained her vote on Resolution No. 31. Legislator Donaldson stated the Resolution was dealing with three (3) subjects and agreed with Legislator Bartels that he disagreed with the mindset.

#### MOTION ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 21 NOES: 0 (Legislator Briggs left at 10:15 PM) (Absent: Legislator Lopez)

# ADOPTED AS AMENDED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 18 NOES: 3
(NOES: Legislators Bartels, Donaldson and Rodriguez)
(Legislator Briggs left at 10:15 PM)
(Absent: Legislator Lopez)
(Approved by the County Executive)

# Resolution No. 32 - Establishing the Ulster County Public Safety Advisory Committee

Legislator Ronk motioned, seconded by Legislator Richard Parete, to amend the Resolution by doing the following:

- 1) Adding a fifth WHEREAS as indicated in bold font
- 2) Adding the following language to the first RESOLVED as indicated in bold font, "examine how drug abuse and drug related crimes can be reduced"
- Modifying the Advisory Committee structure, specified in the second RESOLVED, to consist of 11 members instead of 18 members who are appointed by the Chairman of the Legislature, as indicated by striking some of the language and adding the language in bold font
- 4) Adding a third RESOLVED as indicated in bold font

# **Discussion:**

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Legislator Aiello commended Legislator Wawro on the effort she put into the Resolution and also thanked Majority Leader Ronk for making a somewhat confusing situation simplified.

# MOTION ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 21 NOES: 0 (Legislator Briggs left at 10:15 PM) (Absent: Legislator Lopez)

### ADOPTED AS AMENDED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 21 NOES: 0 (Legislator Briggs left at 10:15 PM) (Absent: Legislator Lopez)

Legislator Ronk motioned to take Resolution Nos. 33- 34 as a block, seconded by Legislator Donaldson.

**Resolutions Nos. 33-34** were adopted unanimously by the following vote:

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 21 NOES: 0 (Legislator Briggs left at 10:15 PM) (Absent: Legislator Lopez) (Approved by the County Executive)

**Resolution No. 35 -** Adopting The Ulster County Comprehensive Written Investment Policy Pursuant To Section 39 Of New York State General Municipal Law And The Office Of The New York State Comptroller's Local Management Guide – Investing And Protecting Public Funds

Legislator Gerentine motioned, seconded by Legislator Maio, to change section VII, *Designation of Depositories*, by adding an (O) after Section A3-4 for clarification, and by adding the following sentence to the end of the section: A copy of the designation shall be filed with the Commissioner of Finance who will transmit a copy to the Clerk of the Legislature.

#### MOTION ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 21 NOES: 0 (Legislator Briggs left at 10:15 PM)

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(Absent: Legislator Lopez)

# ADOPTED AS AMENDED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 21 NOES: 0 (Legislator Briggs left at 10:15 PM) (Absent: Legislator Lopez) (Approved by the County Executive)

Legislator Ronk motioned to take Resolution Nos. 36- 38 as a block, seconded by Legislator Donaldson.

**Resolutions Nos. 36 – 38** were adopted unanimously by the following vote:

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 21 NOES: 0

(Legislator Briggs left at 10:15 PM) (Absent: Legislator Lopez) (Approved by the County Executive)

**Resolution No. 39 -** Authorizing The County's Share Of The Cost Of A Surface Drainage Improvement Project In The City Of Kingston, In And For The County Of Ulster, New York, At A Maximum Estimated Cost Of \$125,000, And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$125,000 Bonds Of Said County To Pay The Cost Thereof

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: 21 NOES: 0 (Legislator Briggs left at 10:15 PM) (Absent: Legislator Lopez) (Approved by the County Executive)

Chair Bernardo sought a motion, made by Legislator Ronk and seconded by Legislator Donaldson to take Resolution Nos. 40- 47 as a block.

**Resolutions Nos. 40 – 47** were adopted unanimously by the following vote:

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ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 21 NOES: 0 (Legislator Briggs left at 10:15 PM) (Absent: Legislator Lopez) (Approved by the County Executive)

**Resolution No. 48 -** Authorizing The Purchase Of A Pick-Up Truck For The Department Of Public Works, For The County Of Ulster, New York, At A Maximum Estimated Cost Of \$23,500, And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$23,500 Bonds Of Said County To Pay The Cost Thereof

#### ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: 21 NOES: 0 (Legislator Briggs left at 10:15 PM) (Absent: Legislator Lopez) (Approved by the County Executive)

Chair Bernardo sought a motion, made by Legislator Ronk and seconded by Legislator Donaldson to take Resolution Nos. 49-51 and 53-56 as a block noting Resolution 52 was already addressed.

**Resolutions Nos. 49 – 51 and 53 – 56** were adopted unanimously by the following vote:

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 21 NOES: 0 (Legislator Briggs left at 10:15 PM) (Absent: Legislator Lopez) (Resolution Nos. 49–51 and 53-56 Approved by the County Executive)

**Resolution No. 57** - Authorizing The Purchase Of Equipment For Construction And Maintenance Purposes, For The Department Of Public Works Of The County Of Ulster, New York, At A Maximum Estimated Cost Of \$1,414,300, And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$1,414,300 Serial Bonds Of Said County To Pay The Cost Thereof

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:

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AYES: 21 NOES: 0 (Legislator Briggs left at 10:15 PM)

(Absent: Legislator Lopez)

(Approved by the County Executive)

Legislator Donaldson requested that Anthony Crespino, an Alderman from Kingston, be added to the memorial list. Legislator Maloney requested that the name of Gertrude Greer be added. Legislator Fabiano asked that Stevie Nicholich be remembered. Legislator Wawro asked that Donna O'Rourke and Viola Olsen be named.

#### **MEETING ADJOURNED IN MEMORY OF:**

Bruce Loertscher, Plattekill Supervisor Conrad

"Connie" Schwall, High Falls

David "Wayne" Depew, Kerhonkson

John "Jack" Greco, Mt. Marion

Deputy William G. King, Shawangunk

Helen Kish VanBuren, Marbletown

Phyllis Ertel St. John, Kingston

Walter F. Swarthout, Sr., Kingston

"Connie" Schwall, High Falls

Medora A. Vogt, Palm City, Fla.

Lloyd Lund, Kingston

James J. Harned, Accord

Thomas Knowles, High Falls

Robert W. Breitenstein, Woodstock

Louis Ciaccio, Highland

**MEETING ADJOURNED:** 10: 41 PM

#### **NEXT MEETING:**

The next Regular Meeting of the Ulster County Legislature will be held on **Tuesday, March 19, 2013 at 7:00 PM** in the Legislative Chambers, Sixth Floor, Ulster County Office Building, 244 Fair Street, Kingston, New York.

Resolution deadline is Wednesday, February 27, 2013 at 12 Noon.

# 18 Karen Charman

Dear The Ulster County Legislature,

We are pleased to present you with this petition affirming one simple statement:

"We, the undersigned people of Ulster County, oppose the Ulster County Legislature's Draft Resolution No. 0154, "Opposing The Process Of Enactment And Certain Provisions Contained Within The New York SAFE Act," to be voted on by the full County Legislature on February 19, 2013. We are concerned about the escalating epidemic of gun violence in our country and support good faith measures, like the New York SAFE Act and President Obama's initiatives, to curb it.

We are not challenging the Second Amendment to the U.S. Constitution. But unlike proposed Draft Resolution No. 0154, we do not see it as a right that trumps all other rights, including the right of citizens to be free from deadly gun violence. In 2008, the U.S. Supreme Court said: "Like most rights, the right secured by the Second Amendment is not unlimited." The Second Amendment does not confer "a right to keep and carry any weapon whatsoever for whatever purpose." The court specifically affirmed support for "prohibiting the carrying of dangerous and unusual weapons," a description that surely fits the numerous assault weapons that are too freely available to virtually anybody. We agree.

We specifically reject the Ulster County Legislature's Draft Resolution No. 0154 provision that requests "the repeal of any legislation, including the sections within the NY SAFE Act (Chapter 1 of the Laws of 2013), which infringe upon the right of the people to keep and bear arms.""

Attached is a list of individuals who have added their names to this petition, as well as additional comments written by the petition signers themselves.

Sincerely, Dave Channon

Shannon Calderon New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 19, 2013 carol olszanecki Ellenville, NY 12428 Feb 19, 2013 Melissa Grippi Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 19, 2013 Christopher Rahm St Remy, NY 12401 Feb 19, 2013 Nancy Mathisen Hurley, NY 12443 Feb 19, 2013 Frank Rahm Cottekill,, NY 12419 Feb 19, 2013 Rowan Dordick Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 19, 2013 Karen Mines Willow, NY 12495 Feb 19, 2013 john parete accord, NY 12404 Feb 19, 2013 Alma Rodriguez Phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 19, 2013 I wish people would read the entire 2nd amendment!!!! JoAnne Myers Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 19, 2013 Jinhi Baron Boiceville, NY 12412

SAFE act is reasonable gun control; no one wants to take away anyone's 2nd amendment rights. This is about saving lives from needless slaughter

Rob Saffer Woodtstock, NY 12498 Feb 19, 2013

Nell Imperial Highland, NY 12528 Feb 19, 2013

Please pass strong gun control laws, including a ban on semi automatic weapons and their ammunition. You don't need an AK47 to kill a deer.

Sheila isenberg Shady, NY 12409 Feb 19, 2013

Deborah Robbins High Falls, NY 12440 Feb 19, 2013

Todd Snyder San Francisco, CA 94115 Feb 19, 2013

do not be swayed by a concerted effort of the NRA to overrule our state's best interests and the interests of our people.

barbara high falls, NY 12440 Feb 19, 2013

Marla D. Collins New York, NY 10009 Feb 19, 2013

Please control the guns. I am against semi automatic guns being sold to citizens.

Patricia Chana Lunior Accord, NY 12404 Feb 19, 2013

Sherry Dunham Saugerties,, NY 12477 Feb 19, 2013 no assault weapons, secure checking of people receiving gun permit

karin smith-spanier lake hill, NY 12448 Feb 19, 2013

Shigetaka Hara Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 19, 2013

We need to protect our citizens from gun violence.

Jodie Stevens Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 19, 2013

Polly Rogers Highland, NY 12528 Feb 19, 2013

allison wilber St Remy, NY 12401 Feb 19, 2013

Draft Resolution No. 0154 surely does not represent MY views as a resident of Ulster County Legislative District 8. Your vote will determine my vote in the next election!

Barbara Carroll New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 19, 2013

Nicholas Avallone West Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 19, 2013

Mildred Meyer High Falls, NY 12440 Feb 19, 2013

NANCY BRAMMER STONE RIDGE, NY 12484 Feb 19, 2013

John Jacobs Highland, NY 12528 Feb 19, 2013 I support the SAFE Act...I would also like to see bands and laws on the violent videos that are teaching young people to kill. those games were created to teach soldiers how to kill without feeling....Our children are not at fault we are if this business stays in business....

Phyllis B. Green Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 19, 2013

Susan Auchincloss Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 19, 2013

Rokki Carr High Falls, NY 12440 Feb 19, 2013

Ashonte Brown St Remy, NY 12401 Feb 19, 2013

Loren Quinby Phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 19, 2013

John Savory Margaretville, NY 12455 Feb 19, 2013

Meryl Schaktman Kerhonkson, NY 12446 Feb 19, 2013

I support the Safe Act because it is necessary step to help curtail gun violence. It doesn't infringe upon the 2nd Amendment---that's just propaganda put out by the NRA. Assualt weapons are not needed for sport hunting and should at least be restricted to ownership by shooting ranges. Better background checks are needed to keep criminals and mentally challenged people from obtlaining guns of any type.

Ron Rodgers Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 19, 2013

Catherine Skalda Livingston Manor, NY 12758 Feb 19, 2013

Miriam Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 19, 2013

Gerry Griffin Phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 19, 2013 Daisy bolle Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 19, 2013 William Eggers Stone Ridge, NY 12484 Feb 19, 2013 Daniel E Scherrer Tillson, NY 12486 Feb 19, 2013 Jodie Garay Chichester, NY 12416 Feb 19, 2013 Martha McCulloch Gale Gardiner, NY 12525 Feb 19, 2013 Harrison Barritt New Paltz,, NY 12561 Feb 19, 2013 Don't let the passage of time delinquish the horror and tragedy of Sandy Hook Elementary and all other murders. Angela Gaffney-Smith Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 19, 2013 Paul Shands Glenford, NY 12433 Feb 19, 2013

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Amy Bafumo Stone Ridge, NY 12484 Feb 18, 2013			

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Geralyn Torrone Gardiner, NY 12525 Feb 18, 2013

Lucy Miller St Remy, NY 12401 Feb 18, 2013

Suzanne Gilman Mount Tremper, NY 12457 Feb 18, 2013

Cory Smith Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 18, 2013

please stop the senseless carnage.the second amendment cannot be used as a shield to condone murder

fred burkhardt Olivebridge, NY 12461 Feb 18, 2013

Please come to UPAC tomorrow night to counter all of the Gun Clubs and NRA members who are being recruited from all around the state to attend by Legislator Bernardo. Do not let outsiders invade our county!

Salvaotre Spada Napanoch, NY 12458 Feb 18, 2013

Mark Levinson Livingston Manor, NY 12758 Feb 18, 2013

Peggy kay Planetarium, NY 10024 Feb 18, 2013

If you do not have a gun in the house, you stand a good chance of staying alive.

linda melick new paltz, NY 12561 Feb 18, 2013 Karen Kapoor Philipstown, NY 10516 Feb 18, 2013

I think that SAFE does not go far enough. All concealable weapons should also be banned. Let people keep shotguns in their homes for defense, so long as they accept the risks to their families and visitors.

Andi Weiss Bartczak New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 18, 2013

The right to be safe from loonies with guns is more fundamental to a democratic society that the right of loonies to have deadly weapons...

Donald Kass Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 18, 2013

Linda Burke Tillson, NY 12486 Feb 18, 2013

Assault weapons are not mentioned in the 2nd amendment.

Paula Bojarsky Olivebridge, NY 12461 Feb 18, 2013

Enough of the NRA demands! It is important for U.S. citizens to work, take their children to school, go to college and know that our children are able to walk down the streets without fear of gun violence. Having background checks are important to the safety of citizens. We do not need assault weapons on our streets, in our parks or our places of business. I support the New York SAFE Act and want to see it passed.

Mei Moi Lee Bearsville, NY 12409 Feb 18, 2013

Ann jensen High Falls, NY 12440 Feb 18, 2013

BRIGITA TALIAFERRO HURLEY, NY 12443 Feb 18, 2013

naomi castillo smith kingston, NY 12401 Feb 18, 2013 Joan Alley Port Ewen, NY 12466 Feb 18, 2013 Denny Wong Larchmomt, NY 10538 Feb 18, 2013 Marjorie Pfeiffer Phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 18, 2013 Eileen Graves New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 18, 2013 Adriana Havnaer New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 18, 2013 Leonard Bard Highland, NY 12528 Feb 18, 2013 Alexandra Dubroff Cold Spring, NY 10516 Feb 18, 2013 Carolyn Honey Friedman Willow, NY 12495 Feb 18, 2013 Naomi Rothberg Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 18, 2013 Eric Gidseg, Ph.D. New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 18, 2013 timothy Kapeluck shokan, NY 12481 Feb 18, 2013 Rahad Daughtrey MaldenOn Hudson, NY 12453 Feb 18, 2013

Peter Dolan Pine Bush, NY 12566 Feb 18, 2013

Juliana Caggiano Pine bush, NY 12566 Feb 18, 2013

Gina M. Ambrose Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 18, 2013

Ruth Diem Cragsmoor, NY 12420 Feb 18, 2013

I see no problem with the SAFE act. It allows responsible citizens to carry guns, but make it a little safer for us to keep our right to be free from gun violence at the hands of people who shouldn't have them in the first place.

Joe Zeppetello West Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 18, 2013

Victoria Cornell Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 18, 2013

Connie Kingston, NY 12402 Feb 18, 2013

nadia capone High Falls, NY 12440 Feb 18, 2013

Mark Trott Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 18, 2013

I am in complete agreement with your position.

Joe Teti Pine Bush, NY 12566 Feb 18, 2013 Tougher gun laws need to be legislated nation wide!!!! Julie Spark ogden, UT 84403 Feb 18, 2013 **Excellent Petition!** Claris Nelson Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 18, 2013 Barbara Z Restaino Grahamsville, NY 12740 Feb 18, 2013 Susan Chute New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 18, 2013 Jennifer Zackin Shady, NY 12409 Feb 18, 2013 Susan Stessin Cohn New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 18, 2013 Terri LaRussa New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 18, 2013 We need gun control reforms and enforcement of laws already on the books. RoseMarie Ehrich Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 18, 2013 Ina Claire Gabler Poughkeepsie, NY 12603 Feb 18, 2013 Margaret Ryon Palenville, NY 12463 Feb 18, 2013 George Austin Metze

Woodstock, NY 12498

Vals Osborne New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 18, 2013

Please support the SAFE Act as written

joseph a gallerie new paltz, NY 12561 Feb 18, 2013

Reta Sorge Tillson, NY 12486 Feb 18, 2013

Dorothy Hickey The Vly, NY 12484 Feb 18, 2013

Please control guns for a peaceful safe tomorrow for everyone. No more gun massacres! Thanks for your efforts.

Cindy Brody Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 18, 2013

Denise Lishner Seattle, WA 98112 Feb 18, 2013

Arlene Gould Accord, NY 12404 Feb 18, 2013

Laurie Giardino Accord, NY 12404 Feb 18, 2013

Amy Ramsey West Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 18, 2013

Doris Goldberg Woodstock,, NY 12498 Feb 18, 2013

Rusty Mae Moore Pine Hill, NY 12465-0451 Feb 18, 2013

Caitlin Parker Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 18, 2013

Lenore OConnell Highland, NY 12528 Feb 18, 2013

stop the guns!!

Dr.Lori Morris gardiner, NY 12525 Feb 18, 2013

I strongly support Gov. Cuomo's courage in making gun control a priority and getting legislation passed in NYS. I will follow this issue and will vote accordingly.

Kate Hymes New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 18, 2013

Joel Kaminski Accord, NY 12404 Feb 18, 2013

I am signing on behalf of Ulster County Democratic Women.

JoAnn Chamberlain West Hurley, NY 12491 Feb 18, 2013

Laura Mason Glenford, NY 12433 Feb 18, 2013

Brenda goodman Pine Hill, NY 12465 Feb 18, 2013

Jean Antonelle Ulster Park, NY 12487 Feb 18, 2013

Linda prinzivalli Shandaken, NY 12480 Feb 18, 2013 Stephen Wilder Garden city, NY 11530 Feb 18, 2013 Patricia Kelly Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 18, 2013 Meg Coons Accord, NY 12404 Feb 18, 2013 Sean Westlake St Remy, NY 12401 Feb 18, 2013 richard dunning saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 18, 2013 Albert Peak Kingston, NY 12402 Feb 18, 2013 Robert Breukner Olive, NY 12461 Feb 18, 2013 Anne Cornwall, NY 12518 Feb 18, 2013 judy sigunick Cragsmoor, NY 12420 Feb 18, 2013 William De Voe Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 18, 2013 Maryann Downing Peter Stuyvesant, NY 10009 Feb 18, 2013 Jeanne Lehmann West Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 18, 2013

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The undermining of legislative function inherent in draft Resolution 0154 is of even more concern to me that we set reasonable limits on access to weapons designed for hunting humans. When legislators on the county level legislate to subvert state law, or on the state level to subvert federal, it disrupts the due process of government and verges on sedition. Didn't the war between the states make clear the horror that path leads toward? The court system is the proper channel for challenging the constitutionality of law.

Fred Harris Highland, NY 12528 Feb 17, 2013

Kingston, NY 12401

Feb 17, 2013

David R. Mason Glenford, NY 12433 Feb 17, 2013

Trisha Schacter Milton, NY 12547 Feb 17, 2013

Wendy Ricks Saugerties, NY 12477

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Curt Hoepfner Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 17, 2013	
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It's high time for common sense to prevail! Nobody needs assault weapons to go hunting.

Margaret Rhoda St Remy, NY 12401 Feb 17, 2013 Neslihan St Remy, NY 12401 Feb 17, 2013

Amee Peterson Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 17, 2013

Bernadette Ouellette Stone Ridge, NY 12484 Feb 17, 2013

debra lavaggi Bearsville, NY 12409 Feb 17, 2013

The safety of our children trumps the desire of individuals to "play soldier" by owning assault weapons. Deer taken by "sportsmen" do not require assassination by military weapons!

Celeste Brunell High Falls, NY 12440 Feb 17, 2013

Mark Weinstein West Park, NY 12493 Feb 17, 2013

Cynthia Berryann Port Ewen, NY 12466 Feb 17, 2013

Susan Horner West Shokan, NY 12494 Feb 17, 2013

Dale Tangeman Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 17, 2013

Please don't confuse 2nd amendment rights with citizen rights to be safe in communities, schools and public places. Hunting and assault weapons have nothing to do with each other, This is a ploy of fear mongering groups. Don't fall for it. Be brave!!

nora feingold high falls, NY 12440 Feb 17, 2013

David Markowitz West Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 17, 2013 keith kehoe saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 17, 2013 nancy kafka Shady, NY 12409 Feb 17, 2013 Michelle Stuhl Shokan, NY 12481 Feb 17, 2013 Marcy Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 17, 2013 Julianne Swartz Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 17, 2013 I don't even agree with my publicity seeking owner! Sundae Bernardo Accord, NY 12404 Feb 17, 2013 Bonnie Meadow Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 17, 2013 carol nectow Highland, NY 12528 Feb 17, 2013 carol ebel Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 17, 2013

There is ABSOLUTELY no good reason for a typical household to own an assault weapon! Only the police and armed forces should have these.

Shirley A Temple Cottekill, NY 12419 Feb 17, 2013

Joey Puleo Modena, NY 12548 Feb 17, 2013 Lynda Engholm Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 17, 2013 Arthur Braunstein St Remy, NY 12401 Feb 17, 2013 Toni Sachs Phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 17, 2013 Carol Cooper St Remy, NY 12401 Feb 17, 2013 Ellen Leo Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 17, 2013 Paul Russell Rosendale, NY 12472 Feb 17, 2013 Lawrence Braun Gardiner, NY 12525 Feb 17, 2013 Roscoe T. Pecora Port Ewen, NY 12466-0056 Feb 17, 2013 Valerie McAllister New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 17, 2013 Linda Burkhardt Olivebridge, OK 12461 Feb 17, 2013

## I agree

Rita Schwab Mt. Tremper, NY 12457

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Doreen Perrine				

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jay blotcher high falls, NY 12440 Feb 17, 2013 Stephen Lyon Crohn Malden on Hudson, NY 12453 Feb 17, 2013 Bonni Nechemias United States 12477-1414 Feb 17, 2013 Ashley Dittus Hurley, NY 12443 Feb 17, 2013 Rosalind Dickinson R Dickinson Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 17, 2013 Frank Cardinale Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 17, 2013 terry funk-antman woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 17, 2013 Laura Fennimore Highland, NY 12528 Feb 17, 2013 Patricia O'Brien Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 17, 2013 Barbara Zimmer Rissman Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 17, 2013 John E Capen Stone Ridge, NY 12484-0400 Feb 17, 2013 Martin Feinberg

Woodstock, NY 12498

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Linda Lauro-Lazin Rifton, NY 12471 Feb 17, 2013

Thomas Goldpaugh Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 17, 2013

Martin Arrick Pine Hill, NY 12465 Feb 17, 2013

I wholeheartedly agree with the amendment. Susan McLurg

Susan Mclurg Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 17, 2013

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Michael Latriano Phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 17, 2013

Thomas Koshy Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 17, 2013

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chris collins bearsville, NY 12409 Feb 17, 2013

Edward M. Steele New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 17, 2013

cynthia kramer lake katrine, NY 12449 Feb 17, 2013 Lee Gable

West Saugerties, NY 12477

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Carol Dwyer

kingston, NY 12401

Feb 17, 2013

Mark Emig

Hurley, NY 12443

Feb 17, 2013

BARBARA CLURMAN

Wallkill, NY 12589

Feb 17, 2013

have we forgotten Sandyhook already?

carolyn newkirk

Saugerties, NY 12477

Feb 17, 2013

The right to safety is more important than the right to own machine guns! Please keep things in perspective. Myra Sorin

Myra Sorin

New Paltz, NY 12561

Feb 17, 2013

Judith Kerman

Woodstock, NY 12498

Feb 17, 2013

Catherine Schults

Kerhonkson, NY 12446

Feb 17, 2013

Your right to have certain weapons is not a right to have it your way regardless of the majority opinion.

Leonardo Seeber

New Paltz, NY 12561

Feb 17, 2013

Tania Wolfson

New Paltz, NY 12561

Feb 17, 2013

sal silvestro	enting the sentiment of the majority of the county residents!
Port Ewen, NY 12466 Feb 17, 2013	
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Catherine Horan Kingston, NY 12402 Feb 17, 2013	
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Support the SAFE A	ACT. How many m	ore massacre	es do we have	to endure?			
Katherine O New Paltz, Feb 17, 201	NY 12561						
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Our church is posting the names of all the children and educators who were shot and killed in Newtown, CT in December on the cross we hang in church in Lent. Do the people of Ulster County want to "move on" and forget about those children and educators? Do they want to protect the NRA but not those who will be the next victims of mass shootings? We need the New York SAFE Act to be enacted, and we need the Ulster County Legislature to be in favor of the act now!

Edward Schreiber Lake Katrine, NY 12449 Feb 17, 2013

I support the 2nd amendment but recognize the need for far greater accountability with funding to restrict purchases of weapons, ammunition types and quantities, and modification parts. We shouldn't permit our police to be out gunned nor should an internal US "arms race" start to see who can out gun the other. I'll take a 30 round AK47, no, I need a bazooka, no, a rocket launcher, no maybe a tactical nuke.

Frank Ruggiero Plattekill, NY 12568 Feb 17, 2013

Giovanna Righini St Remy, NY 12401 Feb 17, 2013

Barbara Neiman New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 17, 2013

Barbara Belanger Ellenville, NY 12428 Feb 17, 2013

Ed Blouin Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 17, 2013

Diana Kloepping-Davis Marlboro, NY 12542 Feb 17, 2013

David Sides New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 17, 2013

Stephen Granfield High Falls, NY 12440 Feb 17, 2013 susan zimet new paltz, NY 12561 Feb 17, 2013 Susan Zimet New Paltz, NY 12561-0205 Feb 17, 2013 Jennifer Mudry-Rothenay New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 17, 2013 Tim Hunter Gardiner, NY 12525 Feb 17, 2013 Wendy Gold Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 17, 2013 Vincent Sideli St Remy, NY 12401 Feb 17, 2013 barbara scanlan High Falls, NY 12440 Feb 17, 2013 Fran Berke Shokan, NY 12481 Feb 17, 2013 Barbara Speedling New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 17, 2013 lucinda knaus Shady, NY 12409 Feb 17, 2013 Arlene Santaniello New Paltz, NY 12561-3920 Feb 17, 2013 john grant St Remy, NY 12401 Feb 17, 2013

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Elizabeth Lewis Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 17, 2013

Davi Osgood Cottekill, NY 12419 Feb 17, 2013

Joyce Greenberg Highmount, NY 12441 Feb 17, 2013

Assault weapons are for the military and police, not civilians!!!

Joseph DeCaro Glenford, NY 12433 Feb 17, 2013

D M New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 17, 2013

Peter Occolowitz Phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 17, 2013

Anique Taylor Phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 17, 2013

Sara Bear New paltz, NY 12561 Feb 17, 2013

I support the right to bear arms. I also support the new bill passed in New York State. In no way does this bill infringe on my right to bear arms. May we learn to co-exist in peace.

Michael Platsky Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 17, 2013

Yvette Lewis saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 17, 2013

Mona Sherry Ulster County NY, NY 12401 Feb 17, 2013

Paul Waddington Highmount, NY 12441 Feb 17, 2013 Lynn Keller Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 17, 2013 Andrea Meyer Hurley, NY 12443 Feb 17, 2013 Harriet Malinowitz St Remy, NY 12401 Feb 17, 2013 Karen Hinderstein West Park, NY 12493 Feb 17, 2013 Steve St Remy, NY 12401 Feb 17, 2013 Edward J Hunt Highland, NY 12528 Feb 17, 2013 These weapons belong only in the hands of the military, not on our streets or in our homes. Nanette Aiello Pine Bush, NY 12566 Feb 17, 2013 Mark Hammel Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 17, 2013 Anne Rogers New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 17, 2013 douglas weiss marlboro, NY 12542 Feb 17, 2013 Lu ann Bielawa Woodstock, NY 12498

Mark Rosen New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 17, 2013

eileen kostivitch kaplan Ulster Park, NY 12487 Feb 17, 2013

## Good news!

Mr Kit Jones Livingston Manor, NY 12758 Feb 17, 2013

Norman Turner New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 17, 2013

Suzanne Borris Krumville, NY 12461 Feb 17, 2013

dakin morehouse phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 17, 2013

Elena Vagle Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 17, 2013

Scott Lederman Woodbourne, NY 12788 Feb 17, 2013

Carolyn Chadwick West Hurley, NY 12491 Feb 17, 2013

Michael Murphy Whitfield, NY 12404 Feb 17, 2013

Ann Everds Accord, NY 12404 Feb 17, 2013 Margaret Owen Boiceville, NY 12412 Feb 17, 2013

Please continue to lead on the gun control issue. Thank you for a sensible approach. Frances Russo

FRANCES RUSSO MILTON, NY 12547 Feb 17, 2013

Janice Scarey Hurley, NY 12443 Feb 17, 2013

Matthew Elkin New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 17, 2013

Steve Auerbach New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 17, 2013

leslie harris mt marion, NY 12456 Feb 17, 2013

Linda Erman New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 17, 2013

People who believe they need assault weapons and huge magazines are cowards. The NRA should be designated as a terrorist organization, because at least 15 Americans are killed every day by gun violence; far more Americans than Al Qaeda has killed.

William Davis Bearsville, NY 12409 Feb 17, 2013

Daniel Wininger Lake Hill, NY 12448 Feb 17, 2013

Suzanne gilman Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 17, 2013

zoraida aponte kingston, NY 12401

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Donna Calcavecchio Rosendale, NY 12472 Feb 17, 2013

Kate Dvorkin New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 17, 2013

Nancy Plumer Kingston, NY 12402 Feb 17, 2013

Cherie Hanson-Rodriguez Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 17, 2013

John Nelson Livingston Manor, NY 12758-5300 Feb 17, 2013

Ariella Morris Highland, NY 12528 Feb 17, 2013

Shirley Toth New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 17, 2013

I live in West Hurley, NY, and believe we need stronger gun control laws, including limiting high capaity magazines, a ban on AR-15 "assault" type weapons, and stronger background checks for ALL gun sales.

Ray Spiegel West Hurley, NY 12491 Feb 17, 2013

ann morris Kerhonkson, NY 12446 Feb 17, 2013

Joe Tantillo Rosendale, NY 12472 Feb 17, 2013

Laura Delehanty Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 17, 2013 jane byers bierhorst West Shokan, NY 12494 Feb 17, 2013

Hanna Sawka Hamaguchi High Falls, NY 12440 Feb 17, 2013

Pauline Mancuso St Remy, NY 12401 Feb 17, 2013

We can't let everyone carries assault weapons running on the street. It is not safe!

ed kang Bearsville, NY 12409 Feb 17, 2013

Diane Steichel Wurtsboro, NY 12790 Feb 17, 2013

The SAFE Act has nothing to do with the second amendment. Please help to stop the carnage, SUPPORT the SAFE Act.

Georgeanna Singer Ellenville, NY 12428 Feb 17, 2013

Richard Coleman New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 17, 2013

Do not do not do not attempt to repeal new gun regulations. It is time for common sense. We have the highest gun violence in the civilized world. Are Americans barbarians and cowboys. Gun regulations now. Vote against them and no vote frlm me it my community. Brenda Bufalino

Brenda Bufalino Gardiner, NY 12525 Feb 17, 2013

Judy Klock High falls, NY 12440 Feb 17, 2013

Timothy Brennan New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 17, 2013

Ellen DeLong Rosendale, NY 12472 Feb 17, 2013 Ellen Holmes Samsonville, NY 12461 Feb 17, 2013 Adam Hocek Wallkill, NY 12589 Feb 17, 2013 Jim Delaune Highland, NY 12528 Feb 17, 2013 Lin Sakai New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 17, 2013 jessica applestone stone ridge, NY 12484 Feb 17, 2013 Michele Bockelmann Coyote kill, NY 12419 Feb 17, 2013 John Bligh New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 17, 2013 F Greco New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 17, 2013 jessie koester jessie koester Margaretville, NY 12455 Feb 17, 2013 Sarah Evers Lake Hill, NY 12448 Feb 17, 2013

Public safety trumps rights to own assault weapons. period.

Virginia Luppino Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 17, 2013

The wording of this resolution is so vague that it may undermine all provisions of the SAFE act. Does the Second Amendment guarantee the right to high capacity clips? You are not making sense.

Jonathan Lewit Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 17, 2013

Shari Weingarten Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 17, 2013

Raymond Arcomano Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 17, 2013

r j dido Hurley, NY 12443 Feb 17, 2013

Ken Oldehoff Tillson, NY 12486-1703 Feb 17, 2013

Jennifer Dragon Chichester, NY 12416-0041 Feb 17, 2013

Laura Rock Kopczak Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 17, 2013

Gretchen primack Hurley, NY 12443 Feb 17, 2013

Crime rates are falling. Maybe those who fight so hard for unrestricted gun ownership could pay attention to facts instead of focusing on their own fears. Gun owners seem to be unable to tolerate ANY limits on guns ownership. A more mature, reasoned position is needed.

Nancy Ryan Ulster Park, NY 12487 Feb 17, 2013 Iza Trapani
Ulster Park, NY 12487
Feb 17, 2013

Judith Kent
Whitfield, NY 12404
Feb 17, 2013

nicole eastman
woodstock, NY 12498
Feb 17, 2013

Joseph & Lynn DiBlanca

Joseph & Lynn DiBlanca Highland, NY 12528 Feb 17, 2013

Laura Hartmann Kingston, NY 12401-1067 Feb 17, 2013

There is no rationale connected to assault guns & mega-cartridges and the 2nd amendment. Such guns should be restricted to the military. Our law enforcement officers should never have to be "out-gunned" by lunatics &/or gun fanatics.

Mary Phillips-Burke Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 17, 2013

lois brennan gardiner, NY 12525 Feb 17, 2013

David R. Mason Glenford, NY 12433 Feb 17, 2013

Robert Hare Ulster Park, NY 12487 Feb 17, 2013

Willim E Merchant High Falls, NY 12440 Feb 17, 2013

Lynne H Brush Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 17, 2013 Garrett Silveira Highland, NY 12528 Feb 17, 2013

anthonymarcello Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 17, 2013

I am a responsible gun owner and I have no hesitation about supporting the NY SAFE Act, nor any other form of rational gun control. I believe that Draft Resolution No. 0154 is misguided and reflects only the selfish -- and possibly misinformed -- opinions of people who care more for their own gun rights than the lives and safety of their neighbors.

gary allen Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 17, 2013

Janet McStay Hurley, NY 12443 Feb 17, 2013

Moni azank New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 17, 2013

Victoria Ettlinger Mount Tremper, NY 12457 Feb 17, 2013

Cornelia Wathen Stone Ridge, NY 12484 Feb 17, 2013

Alexandra Rogers New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 17, 2013

Renee Samuels Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 17, 2013

Sandi Franklin New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 17, 2013

Sean Zigmund Livingston Manor, NY 12758 Feb 17, 2013 Fernando Valdivia High Falls, NY 12440 Feb 17, 2013 Teri Gibson Kerhonkson, NY 12446 Feb 17, 2013 trissa adams kingston, NY 12401 Feb 17, 2013 Suzanne Bennett West Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 17, 2013 Sheryl White Bearsville, NY 12409 Feb 17, 2013 Joellen Valentine Gardiner, NY 12525 Feb 17, 2013 Jacqueline Allen Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 17, 2013 Vicki Bedford Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 17, 2013 david andrews west shokan, NY 12494 Feb 17, 2013 Donna Readler Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 17, 2013 Edith HIgh Falls, NY 12440 Feb 17, 2013

All evidence shows that SAFE will save real lives. The U.S. Supreme Court has ruled that guns can be reasonably and legally regulated. Stop allowing lives to be lost over ideology.

Tom Rinaldo Phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 17, 2013

charles laurence woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 17, 2013

Arden Kirkland Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 17, 2013

## Amy Glavasich

Amy Glavasich Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 17, 2013

Judith Hakam Whitfield, NY 12404 Feb 17, 2013

F. Laun Maurer Cragsmoor, NY 12420 Feb 17, 2013

I heartily agree with the statements of this petition to keep the SAFE law safe, so we can be safer!

MARLYN DEWITT SAUGERTIES, NY 12477-2314 Feb 17, 2013

ken deutschlander New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 17, 2013

As President Obama stated in his SOTU: We the people deserve a vote. The time for sensible control on devices that are designed to kill and maim humans has long past. Do not repeal an inch of the New York SAFE Act.

helen perri West Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 17, 2013

Richard Holloway West Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 17, 2013 **Emily** Stone Ridge, NY 12484 Feb 17, 2013 Rachelle Gibson New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 17, 2013 Lesley Reich Hurley, NY 12443 Feb 17, 2013 I own several guns myself but do not agree with NRA efforts to interpret 2nd amendment rights as unlimited without and restrictions or responsibility. Erik Schmidt Kerhonkson, NY 12446 Feb 17, 2013 S. Macdonald Ellenville, NY 12428 Feb 17, 2013 **David Thompson** New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 17, 2013 beth humphrey saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 17, 2013 Kim Kim Kimble New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 17, 2013 Constance Sullivan Hurley, NY 12443 Feb 17, 2013 Kathy Adin Port Ewen, NY 12466

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LeAnn Bradshaw-Mueller St Remy, NY 12401 Feb 17, 2013 Erin Schantz Hilton Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 17, 2013 Cheryl Lambert Accord, NY 12404 Feb 17, 2013 Lisa Woodrum Highland, NY 12528 Feb 17, 2013 We also eed to expand the availability of mental health therapists. Marc Eisenson Samsonville, NY 12461 Feb 17, 2013 N E Paul St Remy, NY 12401 Feb 17, 2013 Claudia Forest New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 17, 2013 **Duncan Clark** Milton, NY 12547 Feb 17, 2013 Lisa New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 17, 2013 Ann Millonig Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 16, 2013 Jennifer WhispellAccord Whitfield, NY 12404 Feb 16, 2013 Eleanor Mannikka West Saugerties, NY 12477

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Helene Gordon Brooklyn, NY 11217 Feb 16, 2013	
Gayle Two Eagles Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 16, 2013	

Robert Rogers Jr. Cragsmoor, NY 12420 Feb 16, 2013

Justina Ortlieb Kerhonkson, NY 12446 Feb 16, 2013 It has been evident to me since living in England in 1964 that we are a violent society. Stricter gun laws would, in fact, save lives by limiting who have guns but also supporting these laws is a statement that we want to change, we want to be less violent and we want to recover from our addiction to violence, paranoid fear, and addiction to guns.

anne wandres New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 16, 2013

Sheila Kerhonkson, NY 12446 Feb 16, 2013

Loretta Silas Ulster Park, NY 12487 Feb 16, 2013

let's wake up! Other countries don't have access to weapons of war for their citizens. It's insane!

wayne Spanier lake HIll, NY 12448 Feb 16, 2013

Nancy Salzmann Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 16, 2013

Nora Strano St Remy, NY 12401 Feb 16, 2013

Pat Loggia Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 16, 2013

Heidi Maloney Ruby, NY 12475 Feb 16, 2013

It is time to grow up and to take responsibility for those who for whatever reason cannot be responsible for one another's welfare. Please limit access to firepower and destructive capacity. Require registration, licensing, insurance and training of those who want to have guns. We do it quite simply for automobile owners even though auto-related deaths continue high

William E Connors port ewen, NY 12466 Feb 16, 2013

Jay cypher Port Ewen, NY 12466 Feb 16, 2013 heryl Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 16, 2013 John A Duncan Cragsmoor, NY 12420 Feb 16, 2013 Karen Wells Cragsmoor, NY 12420 Feb 16, 2013 Laraine Mai New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 16, 2013 Mark Teig Pine Bush, NY 12566 Feb 16, 2013 joy weber cragsmoor, NY 12420 Feb 16, 2013 Robert Shulman Cragsmoor, NY 12420 Feb 16, 2013 As with many other things, the Second Amendment has been stretched to include weaponry our ancesters never dreamed of and would most likely never approved! Cecelia Keehn Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 16, 2013 Linda Rogers Cragsmoor, NE 12420 Feb 16, 2013 Patricia Peters Cragsmoor, NY 12420 Feb 16, 2013

sylvia weinberg Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 16, 2013 Anthony Kopp Phonecia, NY 12464 Feb 16, 2013 Rebecca Kent Masters Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 16, 2013 Jennifer olenski Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 16, 2013 linda beale stone ridge, NY 12484 Feb 16, 2013 Harvey Greenstein WOODSTOCK, NY 12498-2245 Feb 16, 2013 Michelle M. Highland, NY 12528 Feb 16, 2013 Erin Schulman Woodstock, NY 10524 Feb 16, 2013 Rita Toohey New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 16, 2013 Leslie Pereira New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 16, 2013 Jane Franklin Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 16, 2013 Maureen Millar Mt Tremper N Y, NY 12457 Feb 16, 2013

Liam Watt Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 16, 2013 Heather Roberts Shandaken, NY 12480 Feb 16, 2013 Thomas Gilmartin Jr. Marlborough, NY 12542 Feb 16, 2013 Christine Hall New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 16, 2013 Sally Colclough Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 15, 2013 I go to New York fairly frequently. If Ulster County passes this draft resolution, I'll have to stay away from Ulster County. Margaret Goodman Glen Mills, PA 19342-1734 Feb 15, 2013 Douglas Keller Rosendale, NY 12472-9717 Feb 15, 2013 Adrienne H Turner New Paltz, NY 12561-6011 Feb 15, 2013 Harriet Livathinos Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 15, 2013 juliette Shokan, NY 12481 Feb 15, 2013

sheila finan accord, NY 12404 Feb 15, 2013

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Janet Chapman New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 15, 2013			÷
Margaret Ali Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 15, 2013			
Joseph. M. Donaldson Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 15, 2013			
Jean Druffner Phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 15, 2013			

Daniel C. Guenther New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 15, 2013

Lynne Golliher Whitfield, NY 12404 Feb 15, 2013

The Second Amendment gives citizens the right to" keep and bear Arms" in the context of a "A well regulated Militia". Therefore some degree of "regulation" would not be contrary to this amendment!

Peter V. Fiorentino Rosendale, NY 12472 Feb 15, 2013

Maryann Stearns Ellenville, NY 12428 Feb 15, 2013

Kathy Hochman St Remy, NY 12401 Feb 15, 2013

Stop this reactionary resolution.

F. Glenn McNitt New Paltz,, NY 12561 Feb 15, 2013

Jeffrey Lyons Pine hill, NY 13741 Feb 15, 2013

Virginia B Workstus Olivebridge, NY 12461 Feb 15, 2013

Elizabeth J Herman Pine Hill, NY 12465 Feb 15, 2013 No one is stopping a law abiding citizen from hunting, target shooting or protecting their home. Why should military style assault weapons available to any but the military? As a citizen and resident of this county I would be embarrassed and angry if resolution 0154 were passed. I will certainly pay attention to who votes how.

Bernard Lewkowicz Cottekill, NY 12419 Feb 15, 2013

Doris Barnes Oliverea, NY 12410 Feb 15, 2013

An idea whose time has come .Stop the violence.

Elaine M. Ferrand High Falls,, NY 12440 Feb 15, 2013

Regina Alfonso Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 15, 2013

The SAFE Act is the absolute minimum gun control measure acceptable. In "my kingdom" the NRA, gun owners, and gun manufacturers would not be so lucky but "my people" would be safe.

Richard E. James Highland, NY 12528 Feb 15, 2013

Michael Gaworski Kerhonkson, NY 12446 Feb 15, 2013

Laurel Lindewall West Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 15, 2013

This is insane. Are we living in a communist country?

Julie & Brian Scott Olivebridge, NY 12461 Feb 15, 2013

Susan West Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 15, 2013

## I support the New York SAFE Act!

John Donnaruma Hurley, NY 12443 Feb 15, 2013

Linda West Hurley, NY 12491 Feb 15, 2013

Gary Donelian Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 15, 2013

William Harper Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 15, 2013

Nicole Petrov Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 15, 2013

I support the rights of responsible gun ownership for hunters and sportsmen. There is nothing responsible about putting a high volume magazine or an assault weapon into the hands of a criminal or an emotionally unstable person.

Tracy Domaszowec United States 12446-2404 Feb 15, 2013

Linda Seeley Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 15, 2013

Frederic Hand Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 15, 2013

Victor McWind Boiceville, NY 12412 Feb 15, 2013

CAROLYN SUTTON NEW PALTZ, NY 12561 Feb 15, 2013

Amos Newcombe Kingston, NY 12401 Bridget Herbst marlboro, NY 12542 Feb 15, 2013

Maxine Kamin Port Ewen, NY 12466 Feb 15, 2013

Dennis Mott West Hurley, NY 12491 Feb 15, 2013

debra markes kingston, NY 12401 Feb 15, 2013

Melissa Ortquist West park, NY 12493 Feb 15, 2013

Thomas Hoffay Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 15, 2013

Michael Harkavy West Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 15, 2013

Maria T. Brown Willow, NY 12495 Feb 15, 2013

Jennifer Spada St Remy, NY 12401 Feb 15, 2013

william moorman glenford, NY 12433 Feb 15, 2013

# Weekender in Ulster County

charles t davis new york, NY 10011 Feb 15, 2013 Linda B. Rodgers Shandaken, NY 12480 Feb 15, 2013

Renate Belville Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 15, 2013

As a resident of Kerhonkson in Ulster County, I feel there is no need whatsoever for assault weapons and high-capacity ammunition magazine. In fact they endager our community. Thorough background checks are absolutely essential for anyone wanting to own a gun. I urge you to do the sensible thing and support all of these provisions in the SAFE act.

Jason Eckardt Kerhonkson, NY 12446 Feb 15, 2013

Andrew Neidhardt Accord, NY 12404 Feb 15, 2013

Pamela Strickler New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 15, 2013

Jenny Nolterieke St Remy, NY 12401 Feb 15, 2013

zachary Alford St Remy, NY 12401 Feb 15, 2013

Margaret Veve New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 15, 2013

Ellie Kramer West Hurley, NY 12491 Feb 15, 2013

Stephen Johnson Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 15, 2013

Durga Bernhard Shandaken, NY 12480 Feb 15, 2013

lawrence r faulkner new paltz, NY 12561 Feb 15, 2013 charles j pierson wilmington, DE 19808-1004 Feb 15, 2013 Alexa Ginsburg Gardiner, NY 12525 Feb 15, 2013 Priscilla Derven High Falls, NY 12440 Feb 15, 2013 I am actually in favor of amending the 2nd amendment to make these very same limitations on gun ownership explicit. Charles Potter Malden, NY 12453 Feb 15, 2013 Jessica Lunt Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 15, 2013 Patricia Stedge Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 15, 2013 Stephanie Daves kerhonkson, NY 12446 Feb 15, 2013 Melanie Hall Olivebridge, NY 12461 Feb 15, 2013 David Dukler New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 15, 2013 Michael L. Angstrom

New Paltz, NY 12561

Feb 15, 2013

Karin Tetlow Philadelphia, PA 19130 Feb 15, 2013

Richard Tennant Acra, NY 12405 Feb 15, 2013

Sharon Murray-Cohen Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 15, 2013

Margaret S. MacDowell New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 15, 2013

James Polk Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 15, 2013

This is an absolute neccessity

Gillian Jagger Kerhonkson, NY 12446 Feb 15, 2013

Richard Rheder WOODSTOCK, NY 12498 Feb 15, 2013

Barry Miller Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 15, 2013

The 2nd Amendment was written when a single shot musket was the arm in question. The founders, I believe, as a student of history, would agree with the NYSAFE Act as passed.

Bobbi Katz Port Ewen, NY 12466 Feb 15, 2013

Ann Bauch Hurley, NY 12443 Feb 15, 2013

victoria reiss shady, NY 12409 Feb 15, 2013 Jeffrey C. Slade Cragsmoor, NY 12420 Feb 15, 2013

Ralph Durham West Hurley, NY 12491 Feb 15, 2013

robert gartner Cottekill, NY 12419-5112 Feb 15, 2013

Let's work to increase the odds that our children will live to adulthood. Support the SAFE act.

Jeanne Weiss Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 15, 2013

Mary Cryer New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 15, 2013

Anne Bienstock Wallkill, NY 12589 Feb 15, 2013

Rosemary Taylor West Hurley, NY 12491 Feb 15, 2013

Most people who own guns and have them in their homes, will more then likely kill a member of their family, then to kill a intruder. Stop this maddness!!!

Mary Wilson saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 15, 2013

Our world deserves better

celeste ricciardone marlboro, NY 12542 Feb 15, 2013

Jason Boyd High falls, NY 12440 Feb 15, 2013 Robin Jacobowitz Rifton, NY 12471 Feb 15, 2013

Alan J. Aidala Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 15, 2013

Lauren Sunstein Gardiner, NY 12525 Feb 15, 2013

Jennifer Parker Wallkill, NY 12589 Feb 15, 2013

Pamela Wanningw New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 15, 2013

Don't do this Ulster County. Not only are you on the wrong side of history—you're simply wrong. If you pass this then I want to be able to have a nuclear weapon (no I don't) at my house. Your legislation is foolish, backward and reactionary. Your reasoning has no connection to reality and hunting with assault weapons has nothing to do with sport. It has to do with wimps who want to kill something. HOW RIDICULOUS YOU LOOK (Backward hicks actually) "look at me! I got a gun! I'm gonna save the world!" Really children? I support the responsible gun owners in Ulster County. The hunters that I know don't require semi-automatic weapons. If we want to stick with the actual constitutional meaning of the Second Amendment then you should only be allowed a single shot musket (the most potent weapon of its time—more so than the canon because it was more accurate). We were also in the midst of the Revolutionary War and trying to throw of the yoke of foreign oppression. That's not the case in modern times. I know it—you know it. Every modern, successful society (and there are many no matter what the neanderthals believe) have very strict gun control laws and have much less crime (both gun and otherwise) than the US. The facts are right in front of you. Ignoring the facts would just be typical of cowards.

Tony Cuen NY, NY 10003 Feb 15, 2013

Dawn Deevy The Vly, NY 12484 Feb 15, 2013

Gail K. Gallerie New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 15, 2013

Ann Kalmbach Kingston, NY 12401 I support gun control legislation because the majority of gun deaths in this country are the result of suicides. I also see no need for guns with multiple bullets, such as automatics; or ammunition designed to kill police officers. I believe in hunting, but not the hunting of humans

BERNARD DIKMAN HIGH FALLS, NY 12440 Feb 15, 2013

Karen Marshall New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 15, 2013

Robin Ludwig Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 15, 2013

The Ulster County Legislature needs to focus on items can govern. Gun control is a Federal and State issue, not a local government issue. Stop wasting your time on "resolution" issues and start doing the job you're paid to do.

Beth Murphy Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 15, 2013

Bear Bonebakker Mount Tremper, NY 12457 Feb 15, 2013

Clifford Rockmuller Cottekill, NY 12419 Feb 15, 2013

#### Bare ARMS not bullets!

ralph gallagher phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 15, 2013

Kathryn Miller Shady, NY 12409 Feb 15, 2013

Monique Martindale woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 15, 2013 Margaret Thompson New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 15, 2013 Nina Singer Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 15, 2013 Marjorie M. Weiner New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 15, 2013 Paul Solis-Cohen NY, NY 12481 Feb 15, 2013 Maria DeFranco Shokan, NY 12481 Feb 15, 2013 chuck Davis Woodstock, NY 12498

The "pro gun" folks should honor their words and fight the corporate occupation instead of taking innocent lives. They are being hypocritical and presenting a false argument. They should use their right to fight, for our freedom from the corporate take over of our once beautiful and proud country.

B. Vos Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 15, 2013

Feb 15, 2013

Adelaide Reynolds New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 15, 2013

Would like to see registration checks and automatic weapons limitations

David Cagan The Vly, NY 12484 Feb 15, 2013 The Second Amendment was written so that we could take up arms against an oppressive government, not so that we could kill our fellow citizens at will. I support hunters who use what they kill to feed their families. I do not believe that we need to have assault weapons or automatic weapons available to our children.

High Falls, NY 12440
Feb 15, 2013

h. wintersh
New Paltz, NY 12561
Feb 15, 2013

Larry Alpert
Stone Ridge, NY 12484
Feb 15, 2013

Andrea Durbin
St. Remy, NY 12401
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Donna Liebman
New Paltz, NY 12561
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philip marshall new paltz, NY 12561 Feb 15, 2013

Mary Wall

Ruth E Molloy New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 15, 2013

Elaine Chaback Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 15, 2013

Jeffrey Bright New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 15, 2013

Frances H. George Phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 15, 2013

Julie Dempsey Highland, NY 12528 Feb 15, 2013 linda talbott New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 15, 2013

Anthony Siciliano Grahamsville, NY 12740 Feb 15, 2013

Marita Lopez-Mena Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 15, 2013

The second amendment has been abused over and over by the NRA - it was never intended to allow people to carry weapons of mass murder!

Daniel Lieberstein High Falls, NY 12440 Feb 15, 2013

do not allow the all guns for everyone all the time nuts control common sense policy. follow the Governor's lead!

M. Sheehan Tillson, NY 12486 Feb 15, 2013

The Signers were no imagining and supporting the designer-mass-killing weapons of today. I would support the right to bear arms just like the arms of 1776 - no others.

sarah stackhouse New Paltz,, NY 12561 Feb 15, 2013

Jodi Pine Bush, NY 12566 Feb 15, 2013

rob colando pine hill, NY 12465 Feb 15, 2013

## Linda Miller

Linda Miller Boiceville, NY 12412 Feb 15, 2013 Johnny Asia
Shandaken, NY 12480
Feb 15, 2013

Nancy Jainchill
Woodstock, NY 12498
Feb 15, 2013

Suzanne Bottigliero
Kingston, NY 12401
Feb 15, 2013

chris piazza lexington, NY 12452 Feb 15, 2013

We agree that banning assault weapons and restricting the number of bullets in a magazine and background checks is sensible and appropriate.

Paul W Haskel New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 15, 2013

I understand the love of guns, as a collector from a design point of view, but being able to shoot with it is not needed.

joe Holdner Brooklyn, NY 12461 Feb 15, 2013

Carol Charest West Hurley, NY 12491 Feb 15, 2013

Debra Pineiro-Zucker Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 15, 2013

Margaret McClure Amenia, NY 12501 Feb 15, 2013

James Wherry New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 15, 2013 I don't anyone owning a fire arm. Lets just check them out and if anyone wants an assault weapon, then, they can go to a shooting gallery and use them there and leave them there. Back grounds checks will help, but, we must find out who is selling illegals guns and laws need to be passed on equal footing for all states. No interstate purchases. Now it's time to find out who is selling illegal weapons and harsh sentences are needed.

Steve Lopez Modena, NY 12548 Feb 15, 2013 Suzanne F. Jordan Hurley, NY 12443 Feb 15, 2013 Don Bucher Phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 15, 2013 Jonathan Fox New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 15, 2013 Sarah Doyle Natick, MA 01760 Feb 15, 2013 Christine Bornarth Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 15, 2013 K Esopus, NY 12429 Feb 15, 2013 David Nelsen-Epstein Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 15, 2013 Sneha Kapadia Glenford, NY 12433 Feb 15, 2013 Denise Vaught Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 15, 2013

Diane Godfrey Ruby, NY 12475 Feb 15, 2013 Kathleen Burkhalter Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 15, 2013

Your rights are not more important than my rights.

David Rountree Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 15, 2013

Connie Mccaffrey NEW PALTZ, NY 12561 Feb 15, 2013

As a mother and as a teacher, I believe we need to balance the the right to bear arms with the right to be safe in our homes, streets, and schools. The Second Amendment cannot be seen as untouchable.

Charlotte Adamis Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 15, 2013

steve Mascia Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 15, 2013

Check backgrounds; register ammunition; limit size of magazines and close gun show loophole

Mike Wallace Hurley, NY 12443 Feb 15, 2013

The authors of the Bill of Rights had no experience with the kind of weapons available today. We have a right to feel safe. I fear that this small step toward some limits is already too little, too late.

Anne Rossini Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 15, 2013

Dennis W. Bressack Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 15, 2013

I whole heartily support the petition

John Small Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 15, 2013 Martin Lupowitz Ulster Park, NY 12487 Feb 15, 2013

James Elder St Remy, NY 12401 Feb 15, 2013

Kristin Farrell Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 15, 2013

Richard Murphy Marlborough, NY 12542 Feb 14, 2013

Helene Potter Mldn on Hdsn, NY 12453 Feb 14, 2013

The SAFE Act does nothing to prevent hunting or licensed handguns for self-defense. The proposed amendment should be defeated.

David Straus Gardiner, NY 12525 Feb 14, 2013

Lynne Gilson Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 14, 2013

Carol Maltby Samsonville, NY 12461 Feb 14, 2013

Lisa Ellerby West Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 14, 2013

Why don't you deal with the business of the county, and leave state laws to the state legislature.

Marc Rider Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013

ann bryan West Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 14, 2013

Harriett Straus Gardiner, NY 12525 Feb 14, 2013 marsha New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013 William Rule High falls, NY 12440 Feb 14, 2013 Susan Reeves New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013 Cathleen Stachelrodt New paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013 james douglas ulrich shokan, NY 12481 Feb 14, 2013 Eugene D Woodstock, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013 vera wisniewski New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013 The SAFE Act is reasonable, fair, and absolutely necessary. The Ulster County Legislature should not be taken hostage by pro-NRA extremists. Jose Moreno-Lacalle New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013 Ken Landauer Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013 Lia Matthews new windsor, NY 12553 Feb 14, 2013

Maureen Radl Cragsmoor, NY 12420 Feb 14, 2013 Steven Scibelli Ulster park, NY 12487 Feb 14, 2013 Yes, please stop this insanity - no automatic weapons, Glocks etc laura Cunningham Stone Ridge, NY 12484 Feb 14, 2013 Carolyn Hansen Milton, NY 12547 Feb 14, 2013 Wayne Ecker. I do not support the use of. Assault Weapons. i do support the New York SAFE Act NOW! Wayne Ecker Mt. Tremper, NY 12457 Feb 14, 2013 Nancy Norman Green Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013 **Charles Winters** West Hurley, NY 12491 Feb 14, 2013 Daniel Whitfield, NY 12404 Feb 14, 2013 Lynn Bowdery New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013 Steve Revitte Mt Tremper, NY 12457 Feb 14, 2013 kate bouju Woodstock, NY 12498

Feb 14, 2013

Amy Little New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013 kaete shaw High Falls, NY 12440 Feb 14, 2013 John Mallen Ulster Park, NY 12487 Feb 14, 2013 Dan Krauss New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013 John M Dowley Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013 Michael Collins Accord, NY 12404 Feb 14, 2013 James Sofranko West Shokan, NY 12494 Feb 14, 2013 **Thomas Cotton** New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013 Glenn Gidaly New paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013 MIke Lewis West Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 14, 2013 Susan Ronga West Park, NY 12493 Feb 14, 2013 Bernadette Morris Rosendale, NY 12472 Feb 14, 2013

Julian Lines Mount Tremper, NY 12457 Feb 14, 2013 Somdev and Lee Arkville, NY 12406 Feb 14, 2013 Jacob Halpern Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013 Albert R. Ahlstrom Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013 Charles and Joanne Lantz West Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 14, 2013 Debi Rua Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 14, 2013 Judith Damron Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013 John Highland, NY 12528 Feb 14, 2013 Tim Charest West Hurley, NY 12491 Feb 14, 2013 For God's sake, they're killing children! Wake up!

Gregory Bray Port Ewen, NY 12466 Feb 14, 2013

Who's backing Draft Resolution 154 anyway? Gun manufacturers? This proposed legislation benefits a tiny few at the horrendous expense of the many.

John Martucci New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013

Salvatore Olivebridge, NY 12461 Feb 14, 2013 Andrew Hague Wallkill, NY 12589 Feb 14, 2013 Monica Manalo Wallkill, NY 12589 Feb 14, 2013 Stephen Leberstein Willow, NY 12495 Feb 14, 2013 Barbara Stemke kingston, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013 Janet Condon-Krieger Stone Ridge, NY 12484 Feb 14, 2013 we need gun control regulations No more Newtowns!! Therese Bimka Accord, NY 12404 Feb 14, 2013 Machine guns are weapons of war. No civilian should ever, ever own one. Sidney Norinsky Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013 Gregory Newham Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013 Alicia Mikles West Hurley, NY 12491 Feb 14, 2013 Laura White-Henderson Greenfield Park, NY 12435

Feb 14, 2013

Kathleen Kluber Rosendale, NY 12472 Feb 14, 2013

Ulster County should support the state's law. Instead of trying to turn back the clock, the legislative leadership should provide a positive way forward. Of course there is no law that will end gun violence, but the task of the legislature is to protect the rights of those who have no voice. No child should die with his body riddled with12 bullet holes. I don't understand any rational on the part of our legislative leaders which supports the right of gun owners to carry assault weapons in a civilized society.

Evelyn Clarke Port Ewen, NY 12466 Feb 14, 2013

kate hamilton new paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013

marcia panza woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 14, 2013

Barbara Vertucci The Vly, NY 12484 Feb 14, 2013

Judy Mage New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013

christina Iler new paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013

JAMES S LONERGAN Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 14, 2013

Alice Gilgoff Rosendale, NY 12472 Feb 14, 2013

Debra Silverman High Falls, NY 12440-5724 Feb 14, 2013

Bruce Barry Chichester, NY 12416 Heather Lundy Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013

I still challenge the concept that the second amendment seems to give the right to have any firearm, including those that are designed for the military, and all the rest that were not invented when it was written. The intent was for a regulated militia....not any individual who just likes guns of all types!

Diane Cooper Highland, NY 12528 Feb 14, 2013

I think it is very important to support this Act.

Faye Cartmell Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 14, 2013

Harriet Miller Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013

Seth McKee New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013

I definitely agree that the government must carefully restrict the sale and use of guns.

Pam Krimsky Highland, NY 12528 Feb 14, 2013

Doug Varone Whitfield, NY 12404 Feb 14, 2013

bruce vizino shandaken, NY 12480 Feb 14, 2013

Gail Handelman Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 14, 2013 The State measures are common sense and do not infringe on legitimate the hunting and self-defense rights of gun ownership.

Andrew Gebert Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 14, 2013

lawrence ulfik Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 14, 2013

kathleen moslander New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013

Edward Rengers Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 14, 2013

Giordana Grossi Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013

John Reynaud West Shokan, NY 12494 Feb 14, 2013

David Kerzner Wallkill, NY 12589-3958 Feb 14, 2013

Janet Hamilton Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 14, 2013

Lynn Dennison Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013

Mark Loete Chichester, NY 12416 Feb 14, 2013 We must put the right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness in front of the right to bear arms without restriction. The SAFE Act will make our citizenry safer from the likelihood that our rights are usurped by unfettered access to assault-type guns.

Susan Fiehl Albany, NY 12203 Feb 14, 2013

Elizabeth Jennings Olivebridge, NY 12461 Feb 14, 2013

Jeff Miller Rosendale, NY 12472 Feb 14, 2013

Merrill Piera Sundown (Town of Denning), NY 12740 Feb 14, 2013

Bernadine Colish Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 14, 2013

Ellen Carson kerhonkson, NY 12446 Feb 14, 2013

Byron Coulter Willow, NY 12495 Feb 14, 2013

It is not reasonable to allow the death of 12 people in 26 seconds.

Robert Anthony Peck Hurley, NY 12443 Feb 14, 2013

Absolutely right on target! Thank you for putting this forward!

Florence Hyatt Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 14, 2013

Lisa Horan-Dunn Spring Glen, NY 12483 Feb 14, 2013

#### Bettye Howard

bettye Howard Annapolis, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013

#### Comment

Donna Christie Cragsmoor, NY 12420 Feb 14, 2013

Andrew Messinger Pine Hill, NY 12465 Feb 14, 2013

Be sensible, not blind, to the violence

Beverly Perlman Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 14, 2013

Martha New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013

Esther Weaver Highland, NY 12528-2716 Feb 14, 2013

You are supposed to represent us. The vast majority of us want reasonable gun limits. I hope you live up to your mandate

harold Chorny Gardiner, NY 12525 Feb 14, 2013

Maxwell Levin Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 14, 2013

Daniel Burnham Marlborough, NY 12542 Feb 14, 2013

Joe Fitzpatrick Rosendale, NY 12472 Feb 14, 2013

Gwen Kramer-gold The Vly, NY 12484 Feb 14, 2013 G Santagada New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013 Sharon Raab Downs St Remy, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013 Woody Pirtle New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013 gary Highland, NY 12528 Feb 14, 2013 Bruce Katz West Shokan, NY 12494 Feb 14, 2013 It's our legacy to our children. Kevin F. Kirk NEW PALTZ, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013 Victoria Read West Shokan, NY 12494 Feb 14, 2013 beth barlow lake katrine, NY 12449 Feb 14, 2013 Eric Erickson West Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 14, 2013 tom cherwin West Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 14, 2013 Mary Ann Shepard West Shokan, NY 12494

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Idrea Ramaci Pine Bush, NY 12566 Feb 14, 2013	
Eric Weaver Highland, NY 12528 Feb 14, 2013	
James Marks Stone Ridge, NY 12484 Feb 14, 2013	
PUja THomson New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013	
This is absolutely vital at this time.	
Julia Santos Solomon Woodstick, NY 12498 Feb 14, 2013	
Linda Paquin New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013	
Elizabeth Elkin New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013	
Lucy goldfarb Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013	
Dale Spencer Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013	

Shaye Areheart Saugerties, NY 10024 Feb 14, 2013

Hurley, NY 12443 Feb 14, 2013

Chris Beall

Marcey Brownstein Phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 14, 2013

Can you understand there is a difference between the kinds of guns (muskets!) used in 1776 and 2013??

Kathe Sandstrom New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013

christine downs clintondale, NY 12515 Feb 14, 2013

Philip Liebman Marlboro, NY 12542 Feb 14, 2013

Lynn Riley Shandaken, NY 12480 Feb 14, 2013

Martha Hertel Simsbury, CT 06070 Feb 14, 2013

Kirsten woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 14, 2013

Miriam St Remy, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013

Ben Shor Cottekill, NY 12419 Feb 14, 2013

Marshall Nadan Kingston,, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013

Michael Kruglinski Gardiner, NY 12525 Feb 14, 2013

Ted Milton, NY 12547

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Laura Abbott Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 14, 2013

Kathleen Taylor Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 14, 2013

Kevin P. DuMond Hurley, NY 12443 Feb 14, 2013

Marvella T. Casale Phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 14, 2013

Robin Hayes Gardiner, NY 12525 Feb 14, 2013

Janet Treadaway West Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 14, 2013

chris lipson Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 14, 2013

Scott Humphrey Highland, NY 12528 Feb 14, 2013

edward p nadel rosendale, NY 12472 Feb 14, 2013

Daria Dollard hurleyville, NY 12747 Feb 14, 2013

Fran New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013 It's time to stop the mindless killing with assault weapons!

Elaine B Rylance Port Ewen, NY 12466 Feb 14, 2013

Teresa Giordano West Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 14, 2013

bill munzer New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013

Maggie Carpenter, MD New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013

Hariet Hunter Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 14, 2013

There is nothing in Mr. Obama's proposals or in the New York SAFE Act that prevents stable, law-abiding people from obtaining and using firearms in a safe manner.

Patricia G. Gerresheim West Shokan, NY 12494 Feb 14, 2013

Alan Barbier Chichester, NY 12416 Feb 14, 2013

Nicole Bell Shokan, NY 12481 Feb 14, 2013

Guy Kempe New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013

Michael Stoltz Cragsmoor, NY 12420 Feb 14, 2013

Lou Sorrin Hurley, NY 12443 Feb 14, 2013

Lauren McLachaln Wallkill, NY 12589 Feb 14, 2013 john morano saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 14, 2013 Robert Fagan New York, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013 cary accord, NY 12404 Feb 14, 2013 Judith Stahl Stone Ridge, NY 12484 Feb 14, 2013 Kenneth J. Franzblau New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013 Elaine Faison-Menzel Denver, NY 12421 Feb 14, 2013 Shame on the Ulster County Legislature. Lowell F. Anderson Samsonville, NY 12461 Feb 14, 2013 Maura Shaw Tantillo Rosendale, NY 12472 Feb 14, 2013 Karen Willis New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013 Marc Moran New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013 Allen Bryan Saugerties, NY 12477

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kelly storrs woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 14, 2013

gary brunet new paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013

Our forefathers wanted a well armed militia, but they did not forsee citizens armed to kill their neighbors.

Marybelle Gemmell New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013

Stephen Busch Whitfield, NY 12404 Feb 14, 2013

Susan Richards Bearsville, NY 12409 Feb 14, 2013

Gary Kaplan Ulster Park, NY 12487 Feb 14, 2013

Bill Brovold Ulster Park, NY 12487 Feb 14, 2013

M. Wallin Tillson, NY 12486 Feb 14, 2013

The NY SAFE Act does not infringe upon the rights of citizens to bear hunting and normal weapons. Military-grade weapons are not needed for such uses.

Barbara Schacker Willow, NY 12495 Feb 14, 2013

Carolyn Siewers West Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 14, 2013

Bonita Meadow Woodstock, NY 12498 get with it Saugerties legislators...

David Radovanovic Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 14, 2013

I am very dismayed that the Ulster County Legislature would not support the SAFE Act. If you want to represent me, please consider this petition. Thank you, Jan Jaffe

Jan Jaffe Pine Hill, NY 12465 Feb 14, 2013

Erwin Farnett Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 14, 2013

Jaime Bernanke Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 14, 2013

Luis Alfonso Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 14, 2013

Donna Cinelli West Hurley, NY 12491 Feb 14, 2013

Ulster County should be safe and not sorry!

Rick Vanden Heuvel Rosendale, NY 12472 Feb 14, 2013

Linda Culver Hurley, NY 12443-5200 Feb 14, 2013

Martha Watkins New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013

Maria Reidelbach Accord, NY 12404 Feb 14, 2013

Donald Hover Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 14, 2013 Martha Hill St Remy, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013 ET Karle St Remy, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013 Mary and Joe McKeon Margaretville, NY 12455 Feb 14, 2013 Susan Greenstein Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 14, 2013 Wendy Sacks Olivebridge, NY 12461 Feb 14, 2013 Zahava bearsville, NY 12409 Feb 14, 2013 Wesley Finger Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 14, 2013 Now is the time to act. Leonie Lacouette Wallkill, NY 12589 Feb 14, 2013 david prystal accord, NY 12404 Feb 14, 2013 Karen Sullivan Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013 Phyllis Bloom Shokan, NY 12481

Robert Dvorak Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 14, 2013

Elizabeth Blair St Remy, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013

Rob Wade Mount Tremper, NY 12457 Feb 14, 2013

I'mtotally in on this one, and like the language of the petition. I believe it "gets it right"

DeVerne Rist Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 14, 2013

Sue Story West Shokan, NY 12494 Feb 14, 2013

Matthew Eyre Ulster Park, NY 12487 Feb 14, 2013

The underlying premise of this debate, as posed by th NRA, is wrong. This is not a mental health issue, (although mental health services need to be available to all). It is an issue of people having access to weapons of mass destruction when they (personally) may be under emotional duress. This can be caused by family conflicts, financial problems, trauma, job loss and yes, mental illness, including depression - a common emotional state which most human beings experience at least once in their lifetime. All humans are capable of lashing out if put in extremely stressful positions coupled with fear and anger. People also use extremely bad judgement around these issues- Adam Lanza's mother was by no report "mentally ill", but she provided her extremely ill son with the expertise and weaponry to kill innocent children. Where was her judgement in all this? I prefer to have the government control these issues.

Wendy McDonald Turner West Hurley, NY 12491 Feb 14, 2013

Janet DeWitt Accord, NY 12404 Feb 14, 2013 The United States has the highest death rate by guns among all countries. It is madness for us not to regulate the gun market and to construct our social rights under the 2nd Amendment.

Tom Gale Cragsmoor, NY 12420 Feb 14, 2013

Alexander Eiserloh Boiceville, NY 12412 Feb 14, 2013

Jo Yanow Schwartz-Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 14, 2013

Barbara Coulter Shady, NY 12409 Feb 14, 2013

Shawn stimpson Rosendale, NY 12472 Feb 14, 2013

Zachary Sklar Samsonville, NY 12461 Feb 14, 2013

Maki Yuinada Phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 14, 2013

Raymond Smullyan Elka Park, NY 12427 Feb 14, 2013

Philip G Ryan Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013

Ann Berrol Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013

Janet Easton Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 14, 2013 Lauren A. Koehler
New Paltz, NY 12561
Feb 14, 2013

Ellen Reitemeyer
West Saugerties, NY 12477

Heidi Friedman St Remy, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013

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Frank Sella Cottekill, NY 12419 Feb 14, 2013

Ruth Gutman Staten Island, NY 10314 Feb 14, 2013

Suzanne Miedema High Falls, NY 12440 Feb 14, 2013

Regan McLemore Stone Ridge, NY 12484 Feb 14, 2013

John Cozzi Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 14, 2013

Frank W. Brice Hurley, NY 12443 Feb 14, 2013

The gun lobby is strong, vocal, and intimidating. Please don't forget that there is a reason we are dealing with this issue - and that is that lives are at stake.

ruth quinn new paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013

Irwin and Sadell Cantor wallkill, NY 12589 Feb 14, 2013 E S DeSanna
Woodstock, NY 12498
Feb 14, 2013

Elaine O'Connor
Tillson, NY 12486
Feb 14, 2013

Richard Baker
Mt. Tremper, NY 12457
Feb 14, 2013

Rebecca B. Wilk

Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 14, 2013

Jeffrey Kraus New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013

This is not an infraction of our second amendment rights. It is just a return to sanity and responsibility. Listen to the echos ringing through the halls of Newtown. Please return to rationality!

Jerry A. Rice New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013

David Rubenstein Mt. Tremper, NY 12457 Feb 14, 2013

Joan Lesikin Pine Bush, NY 12566-5107 Feb 14, 2013

Nancy Campbell Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 14, 2013

Dr. Margaret Ordansky Cottekill, NY 12419 Feb 14, 2013

Barbara Kerner Accord, NY 12404 Feb 14, 2013

Karen Hendrickson Rifton, NY 12471 Feb 14, 2013 Jonathan Craine Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013 Paula Cereghino Bloomington, NY 12411 Feb 14, 2013 david ilku NY, NY 10036 Feb 14, 2013 Joanne Richard Lake Katrine, NY 12449 Feb 14, 2013 Howard Lune High Falls, NY 12440 Feb 14, 2013 Amy Knoth Phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 14, 2013 Where is the (as a part of a) well-regulated militia? Does anyone know where it is? Donald Isenman Napanoch, NY 12458-0304 Feb 14, 2013 Amee Peterson St Remy, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013

I own guns but I support this petition. I do not feel that the NY SAFE Act will take away my rights.

Polly Armour Gardiner, NY 12525 Feb 14, 2013

Malden, NY 12453 Feb 14, 2013

Karola Culp

carol super Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 14, 2013

the Ulster Legislature was wrong to oppose the New York SAFE act. It is only common sense after all of the gun violence America has suffered from.

Tom Blake Stone Ridge, NY 12484 Feb 14, 2013

jay S. Bishop New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013

Robert Hausman Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 14, 2013

Edwina Henderson Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 14, 2013

Chris Lawrence High Falls, NY 12440 Feb 14, 2013

Joseph Katz Gardiner, NY 12525 Feb 14, 2013

How anyone can be in favor of assault weapons among the general public is beyond comprehension.

Allan Steckenberg Big Indian, NY 12410 Feb 14, 2013

Lee Hunt Mount Tremper, NY 12457 Feb 14, 2013

Mark Holcomb Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013

Daniel McCormack Accord, NY 12404 Feb 14, 2013 Barry Mayo Stone Ridge, NY 12484 Feb 14, 2013

Now is the time to keep New York SAFE

Deborah Silvestro Port Ewen, NY 12466 Feb 14, 2013

lorraine weipert kerhonkson, NY 12446 Feb 14, 2013

Mark Bernard Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013

Rachele Ulster Park, NY 12487 Feb 14, 2013

Life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness are so much easier without sem-automatic weapons.

Bruce McPherson St Remy, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013

lisa lemisch-lazarus Maldon On Hudson, NY 12453 Feb 14, 2013

Michael Stearns Ellenville, NY 12428 Feb 14, 2013

Emily Hopkins St Remy, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013

I'm not against all guns, but a shotgun does an adequate job if I'm protecting my home. No one needs semi automatic or large capacity weapons.

Shirley West Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 14, 2013 Chris Whitaker New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013

there was no automatic assault weapon like ones we have now at the time of writing of the second amendment!

Essi Zahedi Port Ewen, NY 12466 Feb 14, 2013

I don't see this as taking away 1st amendment rights at all. There are plenty of other guns out there to purchase and keep. The fear mongerers use scare tactics and people believe them. Let's exercise some common sense and stop bowing to the gun lobby. The NRA is way off the mainstream of contemporary America and are just a front for the Gun Sellers so do what the majority of the people want and dont' bow down to the few misinformed out there.

Linda LaPolla Milton, NY 12547 Feb 14, 2013

Caroline Berninger Stone Ridge, NY 12484 Feb 14, 2013

Angela Sisson Wallkill, NY 12589 Feb 14, 2013

Very simple: NOT IN MY NAME! The MAJORITY of citizens of Ulster County are NOT being represented by their legislature with this draft resolution. Period. The legislature is shaming all of us with this absurd action.

Michael Frank Clintondale, NY 12515 Feb 14, 2013

Richard Stone Gardiner, NY 12525 Feb 14, 2013

Ann Belmont Kerhonkson, NY 12446 Feb 14, 2013

Do the right thing!

Lyndon Hardy

Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 14, 2013

Daria Hanssen highland, NY 12528 Feb 14, 2013

Jocelyn Stein Accord, NY 12404 Feb 14, 2013

Edward Shuster Highland, NY 12528 Feb 14, 2013

Jamie Levato Ulster Park, NY 12487 Feb 14, 2013

Cary Steiner Highland, NY 12528 Feb 14, 2013

Dianne Valdivia High Falls, NY 12440 Feb 14, 2013

We want to be safe from gun violence with assault style weapons. These are not needed for hunting.

Barbara Valocore Samsonville, NY 12461 Feb 14, 2013

Claire Hero Esopus, NY 12429-0015 Feb 14, 2013

Gun violence has killed 1,793 since Newtown. We must do everything we can to solve the gun crisis.

Nancy Castleman Olivebridge, NY 12461 Feb 14, 2013 Too bad the yobos that even would think of contesting what the President and Governor have out into place don't realize that our Forfathers would never even sit down for tea with redneck idiots like themselves. Anyone that gets in the way of legislation that keeps dangerous weapons from being sold that kill with rapid fire are sick evil pigs. Anyone who was not moved by what happened in Newtown is by definition a sociopath (incapable of empathy for others) and is therefore from a mental health point iof view dangerous and abnormal Great we have county officials with mental health problems. And I thought it was just most of the local law authorities that suffers from that

Ellen Kinnally Willow, NY 12495 Feb 14, 2013

Michael J. Geisler New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013

Jed Mayer Esopus, NY 12429 Feb 14, 2013

terry savage Phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 14, 2013

Hollie Conley Whitfield, NY 12404 Feb 14, 2013

For all those constitutional purists out there, you may want to take note of the fact that the constitution does NOT guarantee you the right to "keep and bare" BULLETS!!

Karl Schintone Ulster Park, NY 12487 Feb 14, 2013

stephanie wells new Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013

Moderation in all things, is better then life out of balance.

-Rev. H.P., Richard J. Treitner Pine Hill, NY 12465 Feb 14, 2013

Eila Kokkinen West Camp, NY 12490 Feb 14, 2013 Joel Kraft The Vly, NY 12484 Feb 14, 2013 Ruth Frans West Hurley, NY 12491 Feb 14, 2013 Laurel W. Olexa Boiceville, NY 12412 Feb 14, 2013 Cyn Kendall Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 14, 2013 Blair Goodman Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 14, 2013 Ronald Markisenis Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013 **Brenda Tilliets** Clintondale, NY 12515 Feb 14, 2013 barry samuels Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 14, 2013 Maya Eyler New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013 Robert barrett New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013

How long do we have to watch our children murdered in schools and on streets? Shame on anyone who allows assault weapons. BAN THEM!! L. Saderman, Professor Early Childhood Education

lydia saderman forest hills, NY 11375-2900 Feb 14, 2013 BÎLLIE MOTT West Hurley, NY 12491 Feb 14, 2013

Thomas Skeados Margaretville, NY 12455 Feb 14, 2013

God Bless the USA, and all it's children. Please listen to what people want and should have, to live without violence. Mary A. Ellsworth

Mary A. Ellsworth Chichester, NY 12416 Feb 14, 2013

Weston Blelock Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 14, 2013

Michael Woinoski NEW PALTZ, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013

Deirdre Mae Micker Clintondale, NY 12515 Feb 14, 2013

Catherine Sebastian Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 14, 2013

Julie Last Shady, NY 12409 Feb 14, 2013

William Allenson New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013

James Colquhoun West Park, NY 12493 Feb 14, 2013

j. david nightingale new paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013 Yvonne Allenson New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013

Laura Matlow Gardiner, NY 12525 Feb 14, 2013

Sasha Gillman Shady, NY 12409 Feb 14, 2013

Michael Woinoski New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013

Lee Haring Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 14, 2013

Mary Lois Adshead New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013

Donald Bluestone Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 14, 2013

Assault rifles were invented to kill as many of the enemy as quickly as possible, period. Anyone who says otherwise is unAmerican, period! The Second Amendment starts out how... "A well regulated Militia," regulated, what doesn't the Right understand about regulated, oh yeah, the Right doesn't believe in the truth, they don't accept evidence, or even knowing the meaning of the words they use! How stupid of me! The Right is right: "God said it, I believe it and that settles it!" "Don't confuse them with the facts, just a waste of time, my bad.

Bruce Pileggi Wallkill, NY 12589 Feb 14, 2013

Sally Rhoads New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013

Robert Taylor New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013 Arnold Lieber, M.D. Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 14, 2013

Nancy Donohue New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013

Jacquie Roland saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 14, 2013

Protect our people by getting semi-automic and automatic guns out of people's hands as well as large bullet magazines.

Barbara Scales Pine Bush, NY 12566 Feb 14, 2013

Karen Hall Greenfield Park, NY 12435 Feb 14, 2013

Robert Selkowitz shokan, NY 12481 Feb 14, 2013

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Irwin RosenthaL Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 14, 2013

Natalie Rider Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013

Casey Kurtti Stone Ridge, NY 12484 Feb 14, 2013 The Ulster County Legislature which generally has shown good sense and good intentions towards the folks in our county shouldn't go down the road of obstruction of gun control. That would put the legislature on the WRONG side of history. Bad move guys. No.0154 is a really bad idea. Don't pass it.

chas and gioia shebar gardiner, NY 12525 Feb 14, 2013

Ulla Farmer Kerhonkson, NY 12446 Feb 14, 2013

Shari Lynn Goldstein New Paltz, NY 12561-3808 Feb 14, 2013

Barbara Ross Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 14, 2013

Daniel Aronzon West Park, NY 12493 Feb 14, 2013

bette Minervini Sundown, NY 12740 Feb 14, 2013

Hal Denton Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 14, 2013

Allan Duane Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 14, 2013

William Hutcheon Stone Ridge, NY 12484 Feb 14, 2013

Mary Ellison West Park, NY 12493 Feb 14, 2013

Sasha Bush New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013 Under the Constitution we have the inalienable right to bear arms. I do not believe the 2nd amendment was designed to allow citizens to amass caches of deadly high capacity arms that threaten the safety of us all. What happened to the concept of moderation?

Robert Kurnit Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 14, 2013

Roselyn Daniell St Remy, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013

Howard Werner Shokan, NY 12481 Feb 14, 2013

paul houtkooper Highland, NY 12528 Feb 14, 2013

susan MacNeil Highland, NY 12528 Feb 14, 2013

A P Sarkisian Tillson, NY 12486 Feb 14, 2013

janet bellusci ULSTER PARK, NY 12487 Feb 14, 2013

Philip Mansfield Phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 14, 2013

Matthew Dolamore Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013

Chuzi Jonathan M. Hurley, NY 12443 Feb 14, 2013

chester miller High Falls, NY 12440 Feb 14, 2013

kayla a feldman St Remy, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013 Joseph Bergin New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013 Adelaide Haas New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013 Anne Stedge-Outwater Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013 Marie Girard New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013 Nate Krenkel New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013 The County Legislators should ask themselves what their votes would be if the Newtown, CT shootings had happened in Kingston. Sandra Cranswick New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013 Henry Sapoznik Olivebridge, NY 12461 Feb 14, 2013 Sean Mackowiak Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013 I was so dismayed to read about the vote in Shandaken challenging Gov. Cuomo's SAFE act. Esther Rosenfeld Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 14, 2013 Lorna Massie

Accord, NY 12404 Feb 14, 2013 Lynn McCormick Willow, NY 12495 Feb 14, 2013 Gene Cotton Highland, NY 12528 Feb 14, 2013 joseph cannizzaro Marlborough, NY 12542 Feb 14, 2013 Isabella Schwartz Boiceville, NY 12412 Feb 14, 2013 Richard Holloway Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 14, 2013 David Levine Accord, NY 12404 Feb 14, 2013 Margaret Smith Glenford, NY 12433 Feb 14, 2013 georgenjane Kerhonkson, NY 12446 Feb 14, 2013 Craig Henkle St Remy, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013 Ellen DeWitt St Remy, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013 Mark Weinstein West Park, NY 12493 Feb 14, 2013 Gena Wilson Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 14, 2013

Deborah Covi Glenford, NY 12433 Feb 14, 2013

William Rogers Napanoch, NY 12458 Feb 14, 2013

Carol K. Stamets Port Ewen, NY 12466 Feb 14, 2013

Why should gun-owners' right to enjoy their hobby be more important than my right to feel safe in my home county? Please don't let the gun-toting extremists gut this important legislation!

Frances Platt New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013

Linda Golden Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013

Jo Schaffel Tillson, NY 12486 Feb 14, 2013

Catharine Whittaker St Remy, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013

kari hastings woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 14, 2013

M Yablon New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013

Karin Lippert Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 14, 2013

Joyce Hartsfield Tillson, NY 12486 Feb 14, 2013

Tom New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013 Jim Mays Olivebridge, NY 12461 Feb 14, 2013 Greg Georgi Gardiner, NY 12525 Feb 14, 2013 Helen Eagleston Kingston, NY 12401-7701 Feb 14, 2013 Carole Furman Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 14, 2013 I support the SAFE Act! Jo Cicale Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 14, 2013 Timothy Hill Marlboro, NY 12542 Feb 14, 2013 Robert Boris New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013 Sergey Jivetin High Falls, NY 12440 Feb 14, 2013 Theresa Pabon Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 14, 2013 Ian Laughlin Chichester, NY 12416 Feb 14, 2013 Elliott Landy Woodstock, NY 12498

Dick Day Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013

Sensible gun control legislation is long, and tragically overdue! We have a right to be safe from out of control gun violence!

Barbara Sides New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013

sherie potnilly kingston, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013

Lawrence A. Herman Modena, NY 12548 Feb 14, 2013

Doris & Hal Chorny Wallkill, NY 12589 Feb 14, 2013

helen woodward gardiner, NY 12525 Feb 14, 2013

Thomas C. Cornell, Sr. Marlboro, NY 12542 Feb 14, 2013

Kathleen Grambling Stone ridge, NY 12484 Feb 14, 2013

Edward Lundergan New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013

Greta Baker Accord, NY 12404 Feb 14, 2013

Rashida Tyler Kingston, NY 12402-2188 Feb 14, 2013 Bruce Littlefield Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013

Lisa Cornell West Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 14, 2013

JOHN EVANS St Remy, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013

I will certainly vote against anyone who approves this resolution. Sometimes no action is better then an action, this is one of those times. Vote with your head and your heart, save lives.

Glenn Warnock Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013

Judith Mohns New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013

David Hans Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 14, 2013

kate stevens New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013

claire KEITH woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 14, 2013

Phoebe Hoss Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 14, 2013

Sherill Hatch West Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 14, 2013

lee rubenstein The Vly, NY 12484 Feb 14, 2013 Jason Gerber Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 14, 2013

Trude Holm Grahamsville, NY 12740 Feb 14, 2013

Marlena Mason Staten Island, NY 10301 Feb 14, 2013

We already have way too many guns and gun violence, we don't need more!

Ruth Strassberg Shandaken, NY 12480 Feb 14, 2013

Are you kidding? Now the county legislature is floating this nonsense? It's time for new people who really care about the citizens of Ulster County.

Donald J Casale Phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 14, 2013

Aysa Morehead Cairo, NY 12413 Feb 14, 2013

I live in Ulster County and support the SAFE Act.

Diane Geanuleas West Hurley, NY 12491 Feb 14, 2013

jon-christian suggs Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013

Karl Bonilla Stone Ridge, NY 12484 Feb 14, 2013

The rights of victims are conveniently being ignored by gun rights advocates. Unbelievable.

Brian Sweeney Margaretville, NY 12455 Feb 14, 2013 We need some common sense in gun control measures. Linda McCarthy Cottekill, NY 12419 Feb 14, 2013 Timothy Scott Jr. Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 14, 2013 Susan Darrow Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 14, 2013 jeff pine preston hollow, NY 12469 Feb 14, 2013 Corinne Mol Bearsville, NY, NY 12409 Feb 14, 2013 Kathy Rivera New Paltz, NY 12561-1221 Feb 14, 2013 Sam Magarelli Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 14, 2013 Marc Epstein Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013 cher Laughlin Phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 14, 2013 Michael Burke New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 14, 2013 Heather Hutchison Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 14, 2013 Nora Gallardo

Wallkill, NY 12589

Laura Shapiro Shokan, NY 12481 Feb 14, 2013

Too many innocent lives are taken. Stop the madness.

Laurent Rejto Shokan, NY 12498 Feb 14, 2013

Judith A. Karpova Kerhonkson, NY 12446 Feb 14, 2013

Its hard to imagine that T. Jefferson would favor private ownership of wmd if he were alive today.

James Koopman Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 14, 2013

Lynn Isaacson Pine Bush, NY 12566 Feb 14, 2013

Please please support the SAFE Act. It is incredibly important for us all.

wyatt roberts shandaken, NY 12480 Feb 14, 2013

Suzanne Hornbeck Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 14, 2013

mary louise wilson The Vly, NY 12484 Feb 14, 2013

becky nielsen Poughkeepsie, NY 12601 Feb 14, 2013

Arthur Martello Halcottsville, NY 12438 Feb 14, 2013 Carol warren Hurley, NY 12443 Feb 14, 2013 Frank Marrazzo Chichester, NY 12416 Feb 14, 2013 Gerard Marzec West Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 14, 2013 Caroline Gerner Kerhonkson, NY 12446 Feb 13, 2013 faye storms Phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 13, 2013 **Douglas Chance** West Hurley, NY 12491 Feb 13, 2013 Cora Shor Cottekill, NY 12419 Feb 13, 2013 Gregory Malia Tillson, NY 12486 Feb 13, 2013 Maureen morrow Tillson, NY 12486 Feb 13, 2013 Susanna Gerner Kerhonkson, NY 12446 Feb 13, 2013 Karen Miller Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 13, 2013 Norman Chachkin Accord, NY 12404 Feb 13, 2013

Angela Colclough Lagrangeville, NY 12540 Feb 13, 2013

IMHO we need an amendment to the 2nd Amendment. Nebulous 18th Century rulings do not fully reflect life in 21st Century America.

Tom Fraser Phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 13, 2013

Victoria Nelson Palenville, NY 12463 Feb 13, 2013

Gretchen Langner Phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 13, 2013

lets make our lives safer

howard p mcgowan phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 13, 2013

Joseph Schmidt Ridgewood, NJ 07450 Feb 13, 2013

Ilene Cutler High Falls, NY 12440 Feb 13, 2013

Michele Garner Oliverea, NY 12410 Feb 13, 2013

Mary Anne Erickson Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 13, 2013

Nik Gerner Kerhonkson, NY 12446 Feb 13, 2013 I am a gun owner and support the 2nd Ammendment. However, that fact doesn't make me stupid and immune to common sense. Checks on all gun sales should be universal and high capacity magazines made illegal.

Augie Wiedemann Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 13, 2013

Janet Weissman Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 13, 2013

Nelda Gerner Kerhonkson, NY 12446 Feb 13, 2013

Judy Kashman Cottekill, NY 12419 Feb 13, 2013

Kathy Maxcy Wappingers Falls, NY 12590 Feb 13, 2013

karen howenstein Mount Tremper, NY 12457 Feb 13, 2013

Jon Pierson West Hurley, NY 12491 Feb 12, 2013

Esther Taylor-Evans Stone Ridge, NY 12484 Feb 12, 2013

The 2nd Amendment does not trump freedom to live without gunshot wounds!

David Segal Woodstock,, NY 12498 Feb 12, 2013

Carol March willow, NY 12495 Feb 12, 2013

Judith Hoyt New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 12, 2013 I don't want my elected legislator to speak for me on this issue. I support the NY SAFE act. Carol Jellett Ulster Park, NY 12487 Feb 12, 2013 Karen Markisenis Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 12, 2013 Linda Webb Varian Denver, NY 12421 Feb 12, 2013 James Steipp West Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 12, 2013 Susan Mischo New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 12, 2013 John Winslow kingston, NY 12401 Feb 12, 2013 Deborah Foley Bloomington, NY 12411 Feb 12, 2013 John Aubry Stone Ridge, NY 12484 Feb 12, 2013 Heidi Washburn Bearsville, NY 12409 Feb 12, 2013 sal cuciti highland, NY 12528

Feb 12, 2013

Even the 1st Amendment has limits placed on it through Supreme Court decisions that use common sense as their basis. No one can yell "Fire!" In a crowded movie theater. As a retired police officer and firing range training officer, I see this as a danger to public safety. An assault rifle does not require as much training and skill to kill lots of people in very little time. A cop responding to a firearms incident faces a lesser chance of surviving a shootout against an assault weapon. I only carried a 13 bullet magazine with 2 additional magazines. No match for an assault weapon.

Vickie Anne O'Dougherty Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 12, 2013

Catherine Cattabiani Hurley, NY 12443 Feb 12, 2013

Sharon Stonekey Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 12, 2013

kathleen frank The Vly, NY 12484 Feb 12, 2013

Miriam Ben-Yaacov Accord, NY 12404 Feb 12, 2013

Julie Lane Lake Katrine, NY 12449 Feb 12, 2013

Christopher Pryslopski TIllson, NY 12486 Feb 12, 2013

Chris Bittner St Remy, NY 12401 Feb 12, 2013

Rosemary G Strenz Mt Tremper, NY 12457 Feb 12, 2013

John Seidman Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 12, 2013

Peter Frank Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 12, 2013 Safety first! Nina Shengold Stone Ridge, NY 12484 Feb 12, 2013 Anna Giuliano West Shokan, NY 12494 Feb 12, 2013 Paul Russell Rosendale, NY 12472 Feb 12, 2013 Cliff Carson Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 12, 2013 David Wiebe Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 12, 2013 I support this petition as a gun owner and veteran. James Hoover Stone Ridge, NY 12484-5253 Feb 12, 2013 Robert Rounds Newburgh, NY 12550 Feb 12, 2013 no comment necessary catherine del tufo big indian, ny, NY 12410 Feb 12, 2013 Zigrida G. Arbatsky Phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 12, 2013 Florence

Ruby, NY 12475

What is wrong with all you people? You can't hunt with an assault rifle or hand gun! Lets keep as many of them out of the hands of nuts as possible!

Sandra Pearson Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 12, 2013

Walter Levy Accord, NY 12404 Feb 12, 2013

Eileen de Munck Highland, NY 12528 Feb 12, 2013

Elga Antonsen Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 12, 2013

We must have these laws to protect everyone, especially children.

Judith Lechner Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 12, 2013

Philip Rose Accord, NY 12404 Feb 12, 2013

Patricia Matteson High Falls, NY 12440 Feb 12, 2013

Barbara Bravo Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 12, 2013

Daniel Lipson New Paltz, NY 12561-2221 Feb 12, 2013

we control automobiles and so much else. our privacy is invaded every day by businesses trolling for information. So why do we balk when it comes to public safety?

Susan Goldman Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 12, 2013

Susan Lipkins Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 12, 2013 Tracey Dewart New York, NY 10001 Feb 12, 2013 John Keith Gardiner, NY 12525 Feb 12, 2013 Melissa Stern New York, NY 10011 Feb 12, 2013 Elizabeth Kessler hyde park, NY 12538 Feb 12, 2013 dan West Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 12, 2013 Rebecca Horner Accord, NY 12404 Feb 12, 2013 Amy Rosen Chichester, NY 12416 Feb 12, 2013 Independant, gun owner, hunter Kurt Boyer PHOENICIA, NY 12464 Feb 12, 2013 **Thomas Carroll** Ellenville, NY 12428 Feb 12, 2013 Susan DeMark New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 12, 2013 Tracy Walsh West Shokan, NY 12494

Feb 12, 2013

Miriam Berg Bearsville, NY 12409 Feb 12, 2013

David Merle Gardiner, NY 12525 Feb 12, 2013

Christine West Shokan, NY 12494 Feb 12, 2013

christina 1 himberger boiceville, NY 12412 Feb 12, 2013

Margarita Meyendorff rosendale, NY 12472 Feb 12, 2013

Letitia Smith Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 12, 2013

Charlene Dye New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 12, 2013

Violence begets violence. As an American citizen and taxpayer I have a right to live peaceably and without fear from the lunatics who can acquire automatic, military grade firearms that can kill dozens of innocent people in the blink of an eye. This is not any infringement on Second Amendment rights. It is about SANE Gun Regulation.

Steve Schunk Highland, NY 12528 Feb 12, 2013

Our legislators need to stand up to gun rights groups and fight for sensible gun laws. No one needs to own a military-style assault rifle.

Andrew Moss Ruby, NY 12475 Feb 12, 2013

Leslie Bryce Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 12, 2013

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Feb 12, 2013

Hugh N Zimmerman Accord, NY 12404 Feb 12, 2013

Contrary to the gun enthusiasts that have garnered so much media coverage there are many of us out there who want to see a sane proposal to limit the number of gun deaths in this country.

Rachele Levy Ulster Park, NY 12487 Feb 12, 2013

william keating Lagrangeville, NY 12540 Feb 12, 2013

The NY SAFE Act in no way curbs our right as a responsible citizen to own and use a gun. Opposing regulation is like saying anyone should be able to own any car and drive it without any age limitations or license or insurance, anywhere, with no consequences for drunk driving or any limitations. We are a nation of laws, enacted to protect the citizens. Freedom with responsibility.

Susan Weeks Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 12, 2013

Ellen Fine Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 12, 2013

Pia Oste-Alexander Shady, NY 12409 Feb 12, 2013

Mikhail Horowitz Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 12, 2013

Vincent C. Martello Stone Ridge, NY 12484 Feb 12, 2013

The 2nd amendment was written before the manufacture of weapons that kill so rapidly, therfore should not protect the owners of these dangerous and unusual weapons.

Tamar Odell Highland, NY 12528 Feb 12, 2013

Mark Friedman Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 12, 2013

Russell Robbins Kerhonkson, NY 12446 Feb 12, 2013

We already have too many deaths from gun violence. Sponsoring legislation that even suggests the furthering of more unrestricted gun ownership is an attack on our citizens.

Leslie Gerber Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 12, 2013

Donna Greenfield Rosendale, NY 12472 Feb 12, 2013 Carolyn DaMota Milton, NY 12547 Feb 12, 2013 Steven Kolpan West Hurley, NY 12491 Feb 12, 2013 Chris Acosta ulster park, NY 12487 Feb 12, 2013 Beth A. Rice Phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 12, 2013 Sarah Harden Shady, NY 12409 Feb 12, 2013 Josephine Sweeney Stone Ridge, NY 12484 Feb 12, 2013 Darlene storms Phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 12, 2013 Harry Chafetz Hyde Park, NY 12538 Feb 12, 2013 Lisa Montanus Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 12, 2013

The SAFE Act does not threaten to "take away our guns." It does not undermine the Second Amendment. It seeks to place owning and using a gun on the same par with owning and using a car. It's about common sense and public safety. By no means does Draft Resolution 0154 reflect the will of all Ulster County residents.

Elizabeth Cosgrove Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 12, 2013 lana gurney Stone Ridge, NY 12484 Feb 12, 2013

Ellen Listort Port Ewen, NY 12466 Feb 12, 2013

We don't want your hunting rifle but anything else is clearly not worth the risk.

Maryann Loiacono Highland, NY 12528 Feb 12, 2013

Geoffrey Gibson Brooklyn, NY 11201 Feb 12, 2013

Just like driving a tank down main street... there is no reason for any other war machinery to be available to the public. We jump through more hoops to drive our cars, assault weapons should NOT be easier to obtain than a car!

Mira Bowin Highland, NY 12528 Feb 12, 2013

Julie Goldscheid Kerhonkson, NY 12446 Feb 12, 2013

Robert Roth Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 12, 2013

Michelle Hersh Tillson, NY 12486 Feb 12, 2013

Support the act or don't get re-elected. Simple.

Dr Anthony & Virginia Castrogiovanni Olivebridge, NY 12461 Feb 12, 2013

I don't believe that gun owners have more sacred rights than everyone else.

Shirley Warren New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 12, 2013

Elsa Leviseur Hudson, NY 12534 Feb 12, 2013

Gene Moncrief Accord, NY 12404 Feb 12, 2013

JohnP. Hughes Bloomington, NY 12411 Feb 12, 2013

Guns are made for one purpose - killing. No one needs a military assault rifle. We're required to have a license and insurance to drive a car and we don't drive armored tanks. There needs to be limits and accountability for gun ownership.

Julie Parisi Kirby Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 12, 2013

Philip Mehl Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 12, 2013

Randall Rissman Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 12, 2013

Charles Cornelis Bearsville, NY 12409 Feb 12, 2013

zali win accord, NY 12404 Feb 12, 2013

Please support responsible and "well regulated" gun ownership.

Patrick McDonough Tillson, NY 12486 Feb 12, 2013

Dana Rudikoff Kerhonkson, NY 12446 Feb 12, 2013 Richard Lawton Willow, NY 12495 Feb 12, 2013

Hillary Thing NY, NY 12404 Feb 12, 2013

This petition does not speak for me. I support those who will vote to restrain the use of guns in violence.

Claudette Hennessy Marlboro, NY 12542 Feb 12, 2013

Davina Vora New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 12, 2013

Fern Edison saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 11, 2013

Trish Taylor Poughkeepsie, NY 12603 Feb 11, 2013 I know this petition may not mean much from me, being in Oregon and all, but I grew up in Ulster County. The majority of my family still lives there. I think we all deserve to be safe. The Second Ammendment specifically mentions a "well regulated militia, being necessary to the security of a free State...". I believe we must move in this direction. We can say "guns don't kill people" all we want but the statistics do not lie. We can also say "guns keep the good guys safe". Again the stats don't lie. I do recall a teacher being killed for walking into the wrong house up in the buffalo area a few years back. I do not recall hearing of any deaths or violence stopped by any citizens carrying legally; besides our well regulated police forces. It's time to put common sense first and give up our "right" to bear arms, freely. If we are unwilling to give up this "right" I say it's time to join that well regulated militia, put your name on the books, and be subject to search, seizure, annual training, background checks on a regular basis, home inspections, target practice, mental evaluations, vision tests, hearing tests, and gun saftey exams. Only then can we ensure that we are only putting firearms in the hands of responsible citizens that are entrusted with our saftey.

Justin Dernison Portland, OR 97213 Feb 11, 2013

Joanne Michaels Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 11, 2013

Julia Rose Accord, NY 12404 Feb 11, 2013

Melissa Pierson Shokan, NY 12481 Feb 11, 2013

David Wise New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 11, 2013

Ronnie jaffe Kerhonkdon, NY 12446 Feb 11, 2013

madelyn shorr St Remy, NY 12401 Feb 11, 2013

Helen Vose HOLMES, NY 12531 Feb 11, 2013

Nancy Schniedewind New Paltz, Afghanistan Feb 11, 2013 Paula Cereghino BLOMMINGTON, NY 12411-0193 Feb 11, 2013

Fred Smith Bloomington, NY 12411-0193 Feb 11, 2013

Johanna Sayre New Paltz, NY 12561-3009 Feb 11, 2013

Shocked that the legislature of my county should take a position against measures to cut down on violence in our state.

ken burrge New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 11, 2013

Zachary Alford St Remy, NY 12401 Feb 11, 2013

Wendell George Pine Hill, NY 12465 Feb 11, 2013

Rachel Loshak Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 11, 2013

Edward Sanders Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 11, 2013

Vivian Beatrice West Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 11, 2013

Barbara Monroe New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 11, 2013

Shelli Lipton Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 11, 2013

Mary Gormley Phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 11, 2013 Thomas Hackett St Remy, NY 12401 Feb 11, 2013 Lysa Ingalsbe West Hurley, NY 12491 Feb 11, 2013 Lynda Crawford West Hurley, NE 12491 Feb 11, 2013 Marnie Andrews Mount Tremper, NY 12457 Feb 11, 2013 Shelley Bance Lake Hill, NY 12448 Feb 11, 2013 Cameron Bonner Kerhonkson, NY 12446 Feb 11, 2013 Wayne Dederick Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 11, 2013 I will remember this vote, next election. GAT George A. Thompson New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 11, 2013 Sue McGlothlin olive, NY 12461 Feb 11, 2013 Albert Diaz Brooklyn, NY 11220 Feb 11, 2013 Irene Rocha

Kerhonkson, NY 12446

Kate Van Baren Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 11, 2013

It seems as though the legislature is bending to those who have been very vocal, rather than seeking out a broader view.

Margaret Bonner Kerhonkson, NY 12446 Feb 11, 2013

I am very interested in learning about the specific votes of the legislators david

David Friedman new paltz, NY 12561 Feb 11, 2013

In support of the SAFE act

Catherine Legnini West Shokan, NY 12494 Feb 11, 2013

Archie L. Thing Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 11, 2013

Keith Anderson Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 11, 2013

I don't think, like the county legislature chairwoman apparently thinks, that I will need a gun to avert this country from turning into another NAZI Germany.

Lee Augustine Wawarsing, NY 12489 Feb 11, 2013

eric weissberg Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 11, 2013

Jenny Brown Willow, NY 12495 Feb 11, 2013 Harvey Kaiser High Falls, NY 12440 Feb 11, 2013

Irwin Marcus Boiceville, NY 12412 Feb 11, 2013

I fully support the legislature's right to weigh in on this issue, but you are on the wrong side. We need to have comprehensive national (i.e. federal) laws including background checks, close the gun show loopholes, national registration and mandatory training. Get behind our President and support him to get this done.

Gary Bischoff Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 11, 2013

Don't take away our rights to a modicum of safety from gun accidents and gun crimes.

Elizabeth Potter Phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 11, 2013

Mark Bernard Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 11, 2013

David Hebb Phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 11, 2013

DAVID WINOGRAD Ellenville, NY 12428-1032 Feb 11, 2013

Erik Donaldson Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 11, 2013

Alix Dobkin Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 11, 2013

lisa luborsky MOUNT TREMPER, NY 12457 Feb 11, 2013

Julie Wegener New Paltz, NY 12561 jeff cohen Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 11, 2013

Let's not wait for another mass killing.

Marge Bischoff Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 11, 2013

Eldad NY, NY 12477 Feb 11, 2013

We need sensible gun control now! Please protect the citizens and young people of Ulster County. No one needs an assault weapon and background checks are the right decision. Do the right thing here: don't give in to the pressure of people who don't undersand the reality of the gun violence epidemic in this country.

Daniel Vollweiler New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 11, 2013

Karen Whitman Shady, NY 12409 Feb 11, 2013

Amanda Montgomery Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 11, 2013

Stephen Gilman Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 11, 2013

Barbara S. Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 11, 2013

Poorly regulated firearms are a blight on our society; the days of the minuteman are over, and every responsible citizen should have his access regulated and be responsible for them. Guns should be regulated, licensed and controlled much as cars are; anything else is irresponsible and involves complicity with the ongoing tide of gun-related murder and violence. The Second Amendment is a States' Right \*not\* a personal right.

Stewart Dean St Remy, NY 12401 Feb 11, 2013 Irwin Rosenthal Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 11, 2013

The right to bear arms does not trump the right to live.

Richard Morris Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 11, 2013

Fernando Colon Middletown, NY 10941 Feb 11, 2013

jerilynn babroff MOUNT TREMPER, NY 12457 Feb 11, 2013

John S Berman Accord, NY 12404 Feb 11, 2013

Amy Moses 12484, NY 12484 Feb 11, 2013

Wilma Miller Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 11, 2013

Harriet Tomasko Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 11, 2013

Lorraine Cohen Hurley, NY 12443 Feb 11, 2013

If the second ammendment guarantees assault rifles, why not atolm bombs? If you have to register a car, why not a device whose ONLY PURPOSE is to kill?

ed haffmans Whitfield, NY 12404 Feb 11, 2013

Scott Patterson Boiceville, NY 12412 Feb 11, 2013

Sara Gast Bloomington, NY 12411 Feb 11, 2013 Tim Slowinski Phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 11, 2013 Babette Kiesel Chichester, NY 12416 Feb 11, 2013 Ricarda O'Conner Chichester, NY 12416 Feb 11, 2013 Jo Salas New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 11, 2013 Maureen Ford New Paultz, NY 12561 Feb 11, 2013 we need, as a society, to regulate guns, as we do other social dangers -- pornography, pollution. Please think carefully about this problem. A kind of war is going on against Americans, and American children. Michael Gorelick Phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 11, 2013 I totally oppose Ulster County Legislature's Draft Resolution # 0154! Annie LaBarge Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 11, 2013 Ettore F (Jim) Infante Phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 11, 2013 cathy cioffi woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 11, 2013

Marybeth Mills Big Indian, NY 12410

Feb 11, 2013

Christine Dinsmore Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 11, 2013

Devin Reiss Phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 11, 2013

MJ Reiss Phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 11, 2013

The NY Safe Act takes necessary steps on a multitude of fronts to combat the disease of gun violence. The Ulster County Legislature, with this resolution, takes none and only contributes further to the problem. In addition, it is beyond the County Legislature's remit to meddle like this in State affairs; the individual legislators should take up their complaints with their elected Assemblyman/State Senator/Governor if they so choose, like the rest of us - rather than claiming to speak for us, which in this case they most certainly don't.

Tony Fletcher Mt Tremper, NY 12457 Feb 11, 2013

Rolf Reiss Phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 11, 2013

I view it as crucial that we as US citizens take every possible step toward the goal of reducing assault weapon stockpiles in this country, in NY State, in Ulster County.

Constance Rudd St Remy, NY 12401 Feb 11, 2013

Robert Selkowitz Shokan, NY 12481 Feb 11, 2013

Joan Walker Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 11, 2013

How much money did the proponents receive from the NRA? What is it about the words "well regulated militia" in the 2nd Amendment that you do not understand?

Barbara Brandler West Camp, NY 12490 Feb 11, 2013 John E. Chiaradia New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 11, 2013

Keep us safe. Keep guns out of the wrong hands, especially assault weapons.

Linda Freeman Marlboro, NY 12542 Feb 11, 2013

David Pillard Shandaken, NY 12480 Feb 11, 2013

In the second amendment, the "right to bear arms shall" is bound grammatically to the phrase "well regulated". The SAFE act would provide such regulation as the framers enshrined in their language.

mona jacobs shandaken, NY 12480 Feb 11, 2013

Bernard Handzel Phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 11, 2013

Regina Alfonso Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 11, 2013

Marilynn Rowley Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 11, 2013

helaine meisler Shady, NY 12409 Feb 11, 2013

Thomas Grasso Rosendale, NY 12472 Feb 11, 2013

Judith Simon Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 11, 2013 How dare you to allow the guys to wrongly interpret these laws. There's no on taking their hunting guns away for chrissake!

Joanne Steele St. Remy, NY 12401 Feb 11, 2013

Madelaine Piel Nyc, NY 10128 Feb 11, 2013

Amy Irene Anderson Kingston, NY 12401-5652 Feb 11, 2013

Jonathan Piel Phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 11, 2013

Jackie Janks Mt. Tremper, NY 12457 Feb 11, 2013

Steven Bluestone West Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 11, 2013

Linda Abbott New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 11, 2013

Anne Sapiro Woodstock, United States 12498-2014 Feb 11, 2013

paul mcmahon Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 11, 2013

Nancy Howell Phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 11, 2013

judy whitfield Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 11, 2013 Listen to the people! We need common sense controls of the NY SAFE Act.

Barbara Upton New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 11, 2013

It should be called the SAFE and SANE Act.

Larry Litt Chichester, NY 12416 Feb 11, 2013

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Nyc, NY 10013 Feb 11, 2013

Mariella Bisson Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 11, 2013

Paul Savage Big Indian, NY 12410 Feb 11, 2013

Paula Sirc Shokan, NY 12481 Feb 11, 2013

Marybeth Mills BIG INDIAN, NY 12410 Feb 11, 2013

If I had my way guns would be licensed and assault riffles would be eliminated.

alan fliegel Phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 11, 2013

michele wooton pine hill, NY 12465 Feb 11, 2013

Stephanie Brennan fleischmanns, NY 12430 Feb 11, 2013 The Ulster County legislature should be trying to reduce gun violence by all means possible including reasonable gun controls, and more attention to mental health issues. They should NOT be trying to roll back state laws. While I am not challenging the 2nd. amendment, I would like to point out that the Constitution was designed to be amended to reflect modern societal needs - like freeing slaves and letting women vote. No amendment is perfect in and of itself.

Joan Lawrence-Bauer Big Indian, NY 12410 Feb 11, 2013

Now is the time for common sense gun control legislation. There is no reason that any private citizen need own an assualt weapon or high capacity ammunition clips other than to "protect themselves" [sic] against law enforcement officials--or perhaps a zombie apocalypse.

eric stewart accord, NY 12404 Feb 11, 2013

Jenny Williams West Park, NY 12493 Feb 11, 2013

AUDREY RAPOPORT KINGSTON, NY 12401 Feb 11, 2013

jeri drucker nyc, NY 10025 Feb 11, 2013

Laurie Osmond Willow, NY 12495-5314 Feb 11, 2013

Anthony Jannetti Pine Hill, NY 12465 Feb 11, 2013

Melissa Holland Beacon, NY 12508 Feb 11, 2013

susan friedman West Hurley, NY 12491 Feb 11, 2013

Joel Benton Mt. Tremper, NY 12457 Eleanor Wininger Lake Hill, NY 12448 Feb 11, 2013

I don't hold out much hope for political courage so please surprise me

mike jurkovic wallkill, NY 12589 Feb 11, 2013

steve Gorn Accord, NY 12404 Feb 11, 2013

Christie Scheele Chichester, NY 12416 Feb 11, 2013

Amy Mount Tremper, NY 12457 Feb 11, 2013

Joseph Fahey Phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 11, 2013

Mary McKeon Margaretville, NY 12455 Feb 11, 2013

Anique Taylor Phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 11, 2013

Susan C. Robertson MOUNT TREMPER, NY 12457-5230 Feb 11, 2013

Joyce Reeves Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 11, 2013

SUSAN RICHMANN Cottekill, NY 12419 Feb 11, 2013

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karen charman Mt. Tremper, NY 12457 Feb 10, 2013

The multi-billion dollar arms industry and the NRA are lobbying legislatures across America to oppose the NY SAFE Act. Your voice can stop them cold.

Dave Channon Shandaken, NY 12480 Feb 10, 2013

# 10 Dan Badgley

I rise to speak briefly to the Republican resolution for the repeal of the NY Safe Act. The resolution is the repeal of the NY Safe Act. The resolution is the repeal of the NY Safe Act. The resolution is the repeal of the NY Safe Act. The resolution is the repeal of the NY Safe Act. The resolution is the repeal of the rep

I'speak only to the first 2 clauses of the resolution addressing the 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment of the US Constitution. I am profoundly aware that many people in this room hold our American Constitution as a sacred document and that many here have sworn and served to protect and defend it.

There was a rush to pass this law and it has obvious flaws, but I speak only to one issue; the call for tighter gun controls as they relate to the  $2^{\rm nd}$  Amendment.

Because it is the cornerstone of the resolution I expect that many will rise this evening to support it based on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment. As is typical in the gun debate, the proposed resolution only quotes the second phrase of the amendment and ignores the first. That is dishonest on its face. It's only 13 additional words and no right thinking person can rationally disconnect those words as the context and intent of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment. Any reading of James Madison's writings that led to the amendment makes that absolutely clear. Those 13 words that so many choose to ignore are:

A well regulated militia being necessary to the security of a free state, comma the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed.

Clear enough. Nearly all of the resistance to stricter gun laws is based in an incomplete and intentional misreading of that 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment. The people who wrote it were talking about the need to keep single shot muskets, powder and ball in citizen's homes because of the ongoing threat of foreign invasion because there was no significant standing army.

Any constitutional claim that there should be nearly unrestricted access to assault weapons and high capacity magazines because we might need to raise a militia is so absurd and paranoid on its face as to be laughable. To a man, our founding fathers opposed a standing army. They rightly feared it. Would any "conservatives" here propose that we disband our standing military in deference to the founders?

It is insane in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century to advocate that every citizen have free access to military weaponry, weaponry that did not exist in the 18<sup>th</sup> Century. Insane! Machine guns have been outlawed since the 1930's. Where is your courageous legislative call to change *that* law based on the 2<sup>nd</sup> amendment?

For those of you who name yourselves "conservatives" and consider our Constitution sacred and the men who wrote it to be endowed with a mandate from God, I offer the following quotation.

**QUOTE:** "Some men look at constitutions with sanctimonious to reverence, and deem them like the arc of the covenant, too sacred to be touched. They ascribe to the men of the preceding age a wisdom more than human, and suppose what they did to be beyond amendment. I knew that age well; I belonged to it, and labored with it. It deserved well of its country. It was very like the present, but without the experience of the present; and forty years of experience in government is worth a century of book-reading; and this they would say themselves, were they to rise from the dead I am certainly not an advocate for frequent and untried changes in laws and constitutions. I think moderate imperfections had better be borne with; because, when once known, we accommodate ourselves to them, and find practical means of correcting their ill effects. But I know also, that laws and institutions must go hand in hand with the progress of the human mind. As that becomes more developed, more enlightened, as new discoveries are made, new truths disclosed, and manners and opinions change with the change of circumstances, institutions must advance also, and keep pace with the times. We might as well require a man to still wear the coat which fitted him when a boy, as civilized society to remain ever under the regimen of their barbarous ancestors."

Thus wrote Thomas Jefferson

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There are obvious flaws in the Safe Act as passed and those should be amended. As a citizen I support stricter gun control laws. Such laws are imperative to protect society from the insanity of poorly regulated and nearly unrestricted weapons. I stand in absolute opposition to this ill conceived, purely symbolic and ultimately ineffectual resolution.

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#11 Danleferer

Hello Ulster County Legislators,

What makes the United States different from countries such as Iraq are our Constitution and our Bill Of Rights. It gives us freedoms to be ourselves and to be creative as long as we do mention energach on other citizens. Some people feel in a modern society that a government would never revert back to absolute control. It seems almost impossible to me. But history does repeat. Cuba was a vacation island until Castro. Iraq was becoming a modern country until Husain. When the checks and balances of government are not allowed to work, the rights of citizens are allowed to vanish. People are so emotional about the horrible mass murders they have allowed Governor Cuomo to pass laws that allowed him to not uphold the United States Constitution and the New York State Constitution. If a governor can get away with breaking laws to change the 2<sup>nd</sup> amendment how long will it take to change the 1st amendment and so on. When does United States not be the country we all love and cherish.

The United States requires our youth to go to school and recommends we all continue to educate ourselves. One aspect of education is to use your brain power to fix a problem. The best way to fix a problem is to keep an open mind, keep your emotions in check, and to use analytical reasoning to analyze the symptoms so you can identify the exact problem. Government did not get the chance to use their brains.

For people in government to think criminals have a conscience similar to theirs shows how ignorant they are of what happens in real life. Ideologically we all want to believe we are safe and free. History has proven you cannot legislate criminals. We have robberies, burglaries, assault, rape, and murder. They all are illegal and happen every day and always have. There are reports available that show the more legal concealed carry permits in an area the less crime. Criminals are seldom smart but are true opportunists.

The governor has written laws that do not address the problems we have. What is the responsibility of a doctor that prescribes medication that alters brain function? Is closing the psych centers in the state and main streaming patient the right thing to do? Mid-Hudson and Wassaic psyche hospitals had over 10,000 patients in Dutchess and Orange counties and are now empty, is this safe? Is the reclassification of inmates to allow the state to close 9 prisons the right thing to do (Cuomo has closed 7 with 2 to go)? The killer in Webster New York was reclassified so he could be let out after 18 years even though he caved the skull of his grandmother with a hammer.

Some of these short comments are why it scares me so much to what Cuomo has done. I want checks and balances. I want to be able to protect my family. I want government to be educated.

One last thing: The governor's new law restricts legal pistol permits. Maybe if Anita Jacobs-Royer of Kingston had a legal pistol she would not have been over powered and murdered by Audelis Cruz. He was let out of jail 6 months earlier.

## The 2nd Amendment is my gun permit.



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Expiration Date NONE

#14 David Side

First, I intend to be brief and would like to ask for the courtesy to hear me out, as I will extend the same courtesy to you.

My name is David Sides and I live in Gardiner, NY. My wife and I have 4 daughters and 13 grandchildren. We believe in the US Constitution and the Bill of Rights, including the right to bear arms in defense of one's family, the right to hunt, and the right to participate in sport-shooting. We also believe in our rights under the Declaration of Independence, specifically to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

The NY SAFE Act, while not perfect, goes a long way towards helping us achieve those rights – for all of us.

- Reduction of high-capacity magazines from 10 rounds to 7 is quite insignificant in the overall scheme of things. But 30 rounds to 10? Yes.
- Background checks for all gun sales and ammunition purchases. If we have nothing to hide, why not? We have to register our cars and we need driver's licenses. What's the big deal?
- Removing guns from mental health patients, "safely storing" guns from felons, reporting of mental health patient threats and reporting stolen guns – these are no-brainers.
- Increasing penalties for gun crimes on school property and for shooting first responders again, no-brainers.
- Placing additional limits on assault weapons such as registration, features, and internet sales – hopefully such measures will help keep these weapons in the hands of those who really need them, such as the military, for which they were designed.

Many like to say that we have always had these rights and they are being taken away from us. I say that yes, we have been granted these rights but we also must modify them over time as a response to changing situations.

Change happens...thru legislation and the courts, from our rights's origins in 1600's English Common Law (giving only Protestants the right to bear arms), to the 1934 National Firearms Act (which was enacted to control machine guns and sawed-off shotguns in response to the St Valentine's Massacre), to 1939 Miller vs the US (which reinforced the NFA, to other subsequent legislation including the NY SAFE Act.

Finally, we should all take a long hard look inside ourselves, see where we can find common ground, and act responsibly, rationally – to protect ALL of our rights as citizens. Remember, one person's right to bear arms should not infringe on another's right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

Thank you.

#15 Nick Alba

Good evening members of the Ulster County Legislature, and to all of you who are attending this session to consider this draft resolution to oppose the enactment and curtail provisions of the NY Safe Act. I understand the feelings of those of you who are present who are opposed to many provisions of the Safe Act, and you are certainly not responsible for the many heinous acts of violence that have become commonplace in our society, yet you are being affected by these new regulations. The real issue here is the value of human life, and the fact that firearm violence has claimed so many innocent victims. Here are a few facts: The number of gun deaths in the US each year amounts to a staggering 32,000 human lives, over 78,000 injuries and 68% of homicides involve firearms,

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Surely our good sportsmen are not responsible for this, but the toll of human suffering does not compare to the minor inconvenience that gun control provisions present. No one is trying to take your guns away. Please let sanity prevail, and think about the actual effect that these regulations will have on you. Sadly, the lives or victims, their families and loved ones are forever tragically changed.

This resolution before us tonight is fundamentally flawed, in that it is based upon the premise that, I quote, "the right of the people to keep and bear arms is guaranteed as an individual right under the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution."

The broad statements of this resolution ignore the terms of the 2008 Supreme Court decision in <u>District of Columbia v. Heller</u>, which actually supports the right of individuals to bear arms, but also the legality of government to regulate the ownership and use of firearm. Here is the decision that was written by Supreme Court Justice Anton Scalia:

"Like most rights, the Second Amendment right is not unlimited. It is not a right to keep and carry any weapon whatsoever in any manner whatsoever and for whatever purpose.... The Court's opinion should not be taken to cast doubt on longstanding prohibitions on the possession of firearms ... or laws imposing conditions and qualifications on the commercial sale of arms... the sorts of weapons protected are those "in common use at the time" finds support in the historical tradition of prohibiting the carrying of dangerous and unusual weapons."

I request that you vote against this resolution because it is not based upon the 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment of the Constitution as interpreted by the Supreme Court of the United States.

The resolution goes on to reference the "economic and environmental benefits from all safe forms of recreation involving firearms, including, but not limited to, hunting and target shooting" While this statement is in itself is valid, it ignores the negative connotation that this resolution sends out to the many visitors who flood to our area for the many activities that have nothing to do with firearms. I have lived in Shandaken for 32 years, the heart of the Catskills and a sportsmen's paradise. Participation in hunting, which I support, has been dwindling in popularity, but we have seen a surge in tourism based upon cultural venues and events such as the Festival of the Voice, which is reported to have attracted over 7000 visitors to Phoenicia last year. I can confidently state that the benefits of recreation involving firearms are marginal compared to the many other recreational activities, including winter sports, hiking and sightseeing, that bring tourism to Ulster County.

The resolution goes on to note that "WHEREAS, it is our understanding that many State Legislators had less than an hour to read the legislation, which contained approximately twenty-five thousand words, before being forced to vote on it; and WHEREAS, having reviewed the legislation and time constraints, it is our conclusion that there is no possible way any individual could have read the entire bill and understood its full implications prior to voting on it;"

The Safe Act is in fact comprised of approximately 25,000 words, and considering that average reading speed for comprehension is within 400 words per minute, our 63 State Senators had nearly one hour to read the bill, which they approved by a vote of 42 to 18. The State Legislature, comprised of 150 members, voted the following day and

passed this bill by a vote of 104 to 43. Our State Legislators were not forced to vote in favor of this bill.

I find that this resolution is laden with misleading and inaccurate statements. The Safe Act does not, as the resolution states, "severely impact the possession and use of firearms now employed by the residents of Ulster County for defense of life, liberty, and property;" and if does not "severely impact the possession and use of firearms now employed for safe forms of recreation."

The Safe Act is far from perfect, and it needs some amending, but all in all the measures it puts in place will ultimately reduce firearm violence. I do not agree with the provisions which designate rifles as assault weapons, because they are arbitrary and cosmetic. However, most of the provisions of this law are well taken, and there are many inaccuracies circulating about many of the provisions of this law, and much of this information is a deliberate attempt at divisive partisan politics. This resolution is poorly crafted and based upon misleading, arbitrary and inaccurate information. County Legislators, I know it will take some courage for some of you to vote against this resolution, but I urge you to find that courage and reject this resolution.

# 16 - Alice Cook

I live in Ulster Cty and I am concerned about the escalating epidemic of gun violence in our country and I support good faith measures, like the NEW YORK SAFE ACT and President Obama's initiatives to do something to put an end to the epidemic of gun violence that continues to occur. Universal background checks are necessary because of the proliferation of illegal fire arms in our communities and our immediate need for public safety Christopher Dorner in his manifesto stated how easy it was for him to obtain class 3 weapons through loopholes in gun laws on the books today. He went on to kill many people with those guns. A ban on assault weapons, just makes sense to my mind, what is an assault weapon needed for by the ordinary citizen except to do somebody harm? Gun trafficking needs to be regulated and made a federal offense, most of the guns coming into our area are from other states. People purchasing guns and bringing them into our area for sale need to be held responsible for any gun that is used to harm another human being. My nephew was shot 11 times for what other than to kill him. Thank God he did not die, he will never walk again. He is alive and has to deal with the disability. Dealing with the cost to the families and our nation for those who live after being shot and the cost of mental health issues also need to be addressed as important components to any legislation.

I am not challenging the Second Amendment to the U. S. Constitution. Yet I do not see the right to carry a gun as a right that trumps all other rights, including the right of citizens to be free from deadly gun violence. My daughter's fiancé is a middle school teacher. One of his students was shot on his way to choir practice one Friday evening. He also lived...he is 13 and will have to live the rest of his days with a bullet lodged in his abdomen because the bullet is too close to his spine to be removed. This was found to be an initiation gun shooting.

In 2008, the U.S. Supreme Court said: "like most rights, the right secured by the Second Amendment is not unlimited." The Second Amendment does not confer "a right to keep and carry any weapon whatsoever for whatever purpose." The court specifically affirmed support for "prohibiting the carrying of dangerous and unusual weapons, a description that surely fits the numerous assault weapons that are too freely available to virtually anybody today.

Now is the time for change. The climate is right and constituents are pleading for a change. How can we as human beings continue to close our eyes as if those whose lives were taken or those who were maimed were disposable? Once a life is taken there is no bringing that life back. Wouldn't it be better to put laws in place that would prevent just one more murder or maiming?

#21 Robert hppman

## Ulster County Legislature Hearing On NYS Bill on Firearms Resources

My name is Bob Lippman, and Terry and others, I want to thank you for the time allotted to me this evening. As all of you can see this is a subject that reaches out and touches many people from our community. Look around and you will see people from all walks of life and none of them seem to fit into the <u>stereo-typed</u> image of what a "GUN PERSON" LOOKS LIKE OR SOUNDS LIKE.

The people here tonight are all concerned about the legislation passed by Cuomo and his people in the middle of the night, they are from all walks of life, different ages, different educational backgrounds, different and diverse occupations and business ownerships.

But we all share one thing in common VERY STRONG SECOND AMENDMENT BELIEFS and the RIGHT TOO OWN AND BEAR FIREARMS ARMS and TO DEFEAT THIS CURRENT LEGISLATION.

## I am 69 years of age and have been involved in the Firearms business for well over 35 years.

I worked at Numrich Arms and Auto-Ordnance, as their Sales Mgr for well over 20 years.

I also worked with Cole Distributing in buying Military weapons and ammunition throughout the World for distribution, both here and abroad.

We were also the Importers and Distributors of IMI weapons and ammo for the US.

Helped start and put together the very first Shot Show which was in St Louis in 1976.

Worked at Auto-Ordnance when we were the first Company to be allowed to Advertise a MILITARY TYPE WEAPON-The historical TOMMY GUN.

I tell you this to assure you that I am not new to this "game" or fight.

## I AM A DEMOCRAT WHO OWNS, POSSESSES and CARRIES A GUN

and I am very proud of it. I don't hunt but I do lot's of shooting. My reason for owning and carrying a gun is quite simple:

- To assure me that I will be going home every single night to enjoy dinner with my wife and chocolate lab MAX and there will be nothing with 2 legs that will hamper this journey of life. I will not become a victim or a statistic and will live out my life in a normal way till my time is up.
- A gun is ongoing life insurance that will keep me alive and you only pay the "insurance" premium one time
- I enjoy going to the range and target shoot and enjoy being with others that also enjoy this hobby

Look, can we talk about 30 round Magazines, National registration with no gun show loopholes? Sure, we can talk about that - there are plenty of gun owners that feel those points have merit. But THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT, KNEE-JERK TYPE LEGISLATION that

we are subjected to actually impedes any real discussion on the issue.

BOTTOM LINE is that you aren't going to get rid of guns 100%. You don't have the votes. Too many responsible people enjoy them as a legitimate hobby and sport. So knowing that, let's talk instead of shout!

Along with owning and possessing a gun comes a very serious responsibility and undertaking because sometime, and hopefully never, you may have to use use your gun to protect yourself and have to kill somebody. I am also intelligent enough to realize that some changes may have to take place Nationally, but right now in NYS we have all the laws we need - they just are not ENFORCED.

FOR THOSE OF YOU IN The AUDIENCE who would like too see nobody own a gun, <u>TOO YOU- I WOULD</u>

SAY YOUR ENTITLED TOO YOUR OPINION AND POINT OF VIEW BUT DON'T TREAD ON ME AND MY RIGHTS!

I support the killing this bill because bottom line it was drawn up by people who live in another country, NYC. & Sallows It's about time we send the message LOUD AND CLEAR that we don't live in NYC and we are sick and tired of these overpaid liberal Democrats from the 5 boroughs and surrounding areas telling us how to live, what to do and how to do it. THIS HAS TO STOP.

The phrase molon labe means "Come and take". It is a classical expression of defiance reportedly spoken by King Leonidas I in response to the Persian army's PARTS PER PARTS THE PORTE THE PORTE THE PORTE THE PORTE THE PART OF THE PORTE THE PORT demand that the Spartans surrender their weapons at the Battle of Thermopylae. Wikipedia

Thank you,

**Bob Lippman** 

To the Ulster County Legislature:

#36 Darrell Borg

I urge the legislature to adopt Draft Resolution No. 154 for the following reasons:

The SAFE Act criminalizes the ownership and possession of so-called "assault weapons" with certain cosmetic features and "high capacity" ammunition feeding devices (also known as magazines). In fact, the arbitrary ammunition limit placed by the legislature on magazines, and other specifications in the act, can be fairly said to deliberately render the affected firearms useless for the lawful purpose of self defense or of self preservation. Such a condition is effectively a destruction of a protected right and thus a clear infringement of that right. The high capacity magazine is an essential accessory to the banned firearms, firearms that are, by the way, combat grade firearms of the same precision and power as those possessed by the state and federal government and thus are protected by the Second Amendment. Moreover, the Act does not distinguish between those firearms, and their essential accessories owned and used for lawful purposes and those that are owned and intended to be used for unlawful purposes. This distinction is crucial for any act applying the police power to survive a constitutional test.

The natural right to self defense and of self preservation is a fundamental liberty interest well established in the literature of liberty of the world and antedates the constitutions of the United States, the states and the English common law on which those constitutions rest. The right to keep and bear arms in furtherance of the natural right of self defense and of self preservation is memorialized in our constitution. Indeed, the right to keep and bear arms for any lawful purpose may not be infringed. This right applies to firearms of the same precision and power as those possessed by the state and federal government. Important United States Supreme Court decisions confirm this fact and they are the law of the land.

The SAFE Act goes far beyond any legitimate application of the police power. By absolutely criminalizing any possession and private sale of certain firearms possessed for lawful purposes and that are not registered, regardless of the circumstances under which or the reasons for which the firearms have been acquired for use or their intended use upon sale, the Legislature has prohibited unquestionably legitimate sales, possession and use of private property for lawful purposes and rendered criminal conduct that carries not the slightest taint of corruption or impropriety. This it was not privileged to do; its enactment is arbitrary and violative of due process. This fact is well established by the N.Y. Court of Appeals in their decisions and it is the law.

And if all the foregoing is not enough for you to support this resolution, I offer you this final reason: your support of this fundamental liberty interest we all share, gun owners and nongun owners alike, will affirmatively establish your fitness for continued public service at the next

election.

Thank you for your time.

e/19/2013 MICTON, NY Manbyoo!

#31-Patricia 2/19/2013

The right to keep and bear arms is a "right", not a priviledge to be granted by the state. The "right" to defend our homes, our families, neighbors and entire communities is a sovereign God given right that NO man can take away or legislate. These are the principles of the Founding Father's, the right to keep and bear arms SHALL NOT be infringed upon the people of this nation...!!! How can anyone in this nation defend themselves against foreign troops bearing advanced semi-auto-weaponry within our borders? And most certainly we do not want to be engaged in a civil war against our own fellow coutrymen in uniform, of which forces in tyranical powers wish to contrive - order out of chaos - to accomplish their U.N. agenda 21 to disarm the American people.

Indeed, they know, without a doubt, the unregulated militias, meaning the armed citizens of this nation, the last and final means to deter tyranny, having the sovereign right to do so, if we are provoked outright by tyranical forces, will do so if ordered by those in our government who have NOT yeilded to these tyranical powers within, if that dreadful time should arise...!!!

As John Adams stated: "Our constitution was made only for a moral and religious people. It is wholly inadequate to the government of any other...!!! As you can plainly see, RIGHTS come from God, the U.N. usurpts them and takes them away...!!! They can take Jesus Christ out of our schools and every other avenue in American society, BUT they cannot take Jesus Christ out of the hearts of men...!!! WE WILL OVERCOME...!!!

Indeed people have gone from bondage to bondage and history is repeating itself with this U.N. Global banker's N.W.O. We the American people say the U.N. is guilty of the most HIGHEST TREASONOUS crimes against the people of this nation, as well as peoples all over the world, and they MUST be brought to justice...!!! Is legislation neccessary? We the people of the United States of America say YES, the greatest legislation that is neccessary is to bring this U.N. and it's Communist Charter up on charges of High Treason against us, the sovereign peoples of the United States of America...!!! The time is NOW. We can NO longer allow or stand for this RUTHLESS Anti-Christian COMMUNIST organization to destroy any more of our YOUTH and PEOPLES in America with it's Antigodly CORRUPT infiltration and indoctrination within our PUBLIC

**ANYONE WHO ENACTS LEGISLATION TO USURP THE** 2nd AMENDMENT IS AIDING AND ABETTING THE ENEMY WITHIN, AND THAT MAKES THEM JUST AS GUILTY OF THE CRIME OF TREASON AGAINST THE CITIZENS OF THIS NATION...!!!

# THE UNQUESTIONED LAW ON CHURCH-STATE WOULD SECURE ... AGAINST THE CURRENT COMMUNIST GOALS

The following list of 45 current Communist goals appeared in *The Congressional Record January* 10, 1963.

They were taken from *The Naked Communist* by Cleon Skousen, who began his intensive study of the Communist Conspiracy during his 16-year term of service with the FBL.

The list confirms the "line" pursued in Communist publications in this country such as The Worker, The People's World, and a number of front publications.

Actively aided and abetted by such organizations as the National Council of Churches, The National Education Association, The American Civil Liberties Union, the Rockefeller controlled Council on Foreign Relations (The Invisible Government in America), The Rockefeller Foundation, The Ford Foundation and others, the International Communist Conspiracy has managed to achieve many of these goals while you and I were asleep, dreaming it can't happen here! Well, IT IS HAPPENING HERE AND IT IS HAPPENING NOW right under your very nose. IT IS TIME TO WAKE UP AMERICANS!

## CURRENT COMMUNIST GOALS

- U.S. acceptance of coexistence as the only alternative to nuclear war.
   U.S. willingness to capitulate in preference to engaging in atomic war.
- 3. Develop the illusion that total disarmament by the United States is a demonstration of moral strength.
- 4. Permit free trade between all nations regardless of Communist affiliation and regardless of whether or not items could be used for war,
- -> 5. Extension of long-term loans to Russia and soviet satellites.
- 7 6. Provide American aid to all nations regardless of Communist domination.
- -> 7. Grant recognition of Red China, Admission of Red China to the U.N.
- 8. Set up East and West Germany as separate states in spite of Khrushchev's promise in 1955 to settle the German question by free elections under the supervision of the U.N.
- Prolong the conferences to ban atomic tests because the United States has agreed to suspend tests as long as negotiations are in progress.
- → 10. Allow all Soviet satellites individual representation in the U.N.
- Promote the U.N. as the only hope for mankind. If its charter is rewritten, demand that it be set up as a one-world government with its own independent armed forces. (Some Communist leaders believe the world can be taken over as easily by the U.N. as by Moscow. Sometimes these two centers compete with each other as they are now doing in the Congo.)
- > 12. Resist any attempt to outlaw the Communist Party.
  - 13. Do away with all loyalty oaths.
  - 14. Continue giving Russia access to the U.S. Patent Office.
- → 15. Capture one or both of the political parties in the United States.
- Use technical decisions of the courts to weaken basic American institutions by claiming their activities violate civil rights.
- Get control of the schools. <u>Use them as transmission belts for socialism and current Communist propaganda</u>. Soften the curriculum. Get control of teacher's associations. Put the party line in textbooks.
- → 18. Gain control of all student newspapers.
- Use student riots to foment public protests against programs or organizations which are under Communist attack.
  - → 20. Infiltrate the press. Get control of book-review assignments, editorial writing, policy-making positions.
  - Gain control of key positions in radio, TV, and motion pictures.
- Continue discrediting American culture by degrading all forms of artistic expression. An American Communist cell was to "eliminate all good sculpture from parks and buildings, substitute shapeless, awkward and meaningless forms."

- 23. Control art critics and directors of art museums. "Our plan is to promote ugliness, repulsive, meaningless art." Eliminate all laws governing obscenity by calling them "censorship" and a violation of free speech and 24. free press. 25. Break down cultural standards of morality by promoting pornography and obscenity in books. magazines, motion pictures, radio and TV. Present homosexuality, degeneracy and promiscuity as "normal, natural, healthy." Infiltrate the churches and replace revealed religion with "social" religion. Discredit the Bible and emphasize the need for intellectual maturity which does not need a "religious crutch." Eliminate prayer or any phase of religious expression in the schools on the ground that it violates the 28. principle of "separation of church and state." 29. Discredit the American Constitution by calling it inadequate, old-fashioned, out-of-step with modern needs, a hindrance to cooperation between nations on a worldwide basis. 30. Discredit the American Founding Fathers. Present them as selfish aristocrats who had no concern for the "common man." Belittle all forms of American culture and discourage the teaching of American history on the ground 31. that it was only a minor part of the "big picture." Give more emphasis to Russian history since the Communists took over. 32. Support any socialist movement to give centralized control over any part of the culture, education, social agencies, welfare programs, mental health clinics, etc. Eliminate all laws or procedures which interfere with the operation of the Communist apparatus, 34. Eliminate the House Committee on Un-American Activities. 35. Discredit and eventually dismantle the FBI. 36. Infiltrate and gain control of more unions. Infiltrate and gain control of big business. Transfer some of the powers of arrest from the police to social agencies. Treat all behavioral problems as psychiatric disorders which no one but psychiatrists can understand or treat. Dominate the psychiatric profession and use mental health laws as a means of gaining coercive control over those who oppose Communist goals. Discredit the family as an institution. Encourage promiscuity and easy divorce. Emphasize the need to raise children away from the negative influence of parents. Attribute prejudices, .41 حـــ mental blocks and retarding of children to suppressive influence of parents.
- -> 42. Create the impression that violence and insurrection are legitimate aspects of the American tradition; that students and special-interest groups should rise up and use united force to solve economic, political and social problems.
- 43. Overthrow all colonial governments before native populations are ready for self-government.

44. Internationalize the Panama Canal.

A5. Repeal the Connelly Reservation so the United States cannot prevent the World Court from seizing jurisdiction over nations and individuals alike.

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The NEA is an association of teachers whose salaries are paid by taxes levied on working Americans. Its leaders have declared that they intend to control the direction of education. Executive Secretary of NEA, Terry Herndon, has openly declared the intention of NEA to destroy traditional Western value, saying: "In most places, the tradition values have included . . . Protestantism and things like that . . . I think a good school system will expose children to traditional and alternative values and let the children decide."

The NEA's "alternative values" referred to by Herndon include the nihilistic and perverted rantings of savants such as Solomon Gordon and other authors of the depraved filth now flooding the schools at taxpayers' expense.

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# The Ten Planks of the Communist Manifesto Translated

In the early '60's during the days of the "former" Soviet Union, Russian Premier Nikita Kruschev pounded his shoe on the podium of the United Nations and shouted to the West, "We will bury you!" Fearing an invasion from the Reds, America proceeded to build the most awesome military machine in history. Unfortunately, we forgot to guard our political homefront from being taken over by socialist - communist - liberal activists who would gain office and destroy American law by process of gradually installing the Communist agenda within our legal system and separate branches of government. The Communist program from the start has been one which sees their revolution of 1917 successful only upon total domination of the world. (See Brain Washing, A Synthesis of the Russian Textbook on Psychopolitics) Americans, being the most naive people among the nations, now believe that Communism is dead because the Berlin Wall and the Iron Curtain have been removed. The ironic truth is that Communism has just switched names to become more "politically correct".

Today it is called international democracy.

The reason that the Berlin Wall came crashing down is not because Communism is dead but because they have achieved the planned agenda to communize the West, including America. Washington D.C. has indeed become part of the New World Order of atheist governments. With the last vestiges of Christian law having been removed from "American government" over the last twenty years, there is no longer a threat of resistance against World Communism.

In reality, "American government" became part of the Iron Curtain, thus there was no more need for the likes of a Berlin Wall. Once again, in their foolishness, the American public has believed the lies of their "leaders" who applaud "the fall of Communism", while they have sold out our country to anti-Christian, anti-American statutes and regulations on the federal, state, and local levels. Posted below is a comparison of the original ten planks of the Communist Manifesto written by Karl Marx in 1848, along with the American adopted counterpart of each of the planks, The American people have truly been "buried in Communism" by their own politicians of both the Republican and Democratic parties. One other thing to remember, Karl Marx was stating in the Communist Manifesto that these planks will test whether a country has become communist or not. If they are all in effect and in force the country IS Communist.

Communism, but, by any other name.... is still Communism..... !!!!

## 1. Abolition of private property and the application of all rent to public purpose.

The 14th Amendment of the U.S. Constitution (1868), and various zoning, school & property taxes. Also the Bureau of Land Management

## 2. A heavy progressive or graduated income tax.

Misapplication of the 16th Amendment of the U.S. Constitution, 1913, The Social Security Act of 1936; Joint House Resolution 192 of 1933; and various State "income" taxes.....
Some call it.... "paying your fair share".

## 3. Abolition of all rights of inheritance.

We call it Federal & State estate Tax (1916); or reformed Probate Laws, and limited inheritance via arbitrary inheritance tax statutes.

## 4. Confiscation of the property of all emigrants and rebels

We call it government seizures, tax liens, Public "law" 99-570 (1986); Executive order 11490, sections 1205, 2002 which gives private land to the Department of Urban Development; the imprisonment of "terrorists" and those who speak out or write against the "government" (1997 Crime/Terrorist Bill); or The IRS confiscation of property without due process.

# 5. Centralization of credit in the hands of the State, by means of a national bank with state capital and an exclusive monopoly.

We call it the Federal Reserve which is a credit/debt system nationally organized by the **Federal Reserve act** of 1913. All local banks are members of the Fed system, and are regulated by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).

"Doers of The Word Baptist Church"

<u>6. Centralization of the means of communication and transportation in the hands of the State</u>
We call it the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and Department of Transportation (DOT) mandated through the ICC act of 1887, the Commissions Act of 1934, The Interstate Commerce Commission established in 1938, The Federal Aviation Administration, Federal Communications Commission, and Executive orders 11490, 10999, as well as State mandated driver's licenses and Department of Transportation regulations.

# 7. Extension of factories and instruments of production owned by the State, the bringing into cultivation of waste lands, and the improvement of the soil generally in accordance with a common plan.

We call it corporate capacity, The Desert Entry Act and The Department of Agriculture. As well as the Department of Commerce and Labor, Department of Interior, the Environmental Protection Agency, Bureau of Land Management, Bureau of Reclamation, Bureau of Mines, National Park Service, and the IRS control of business through corporate regulations.

- **8. Equal liability of all to labor. Establishment of Industrial armies, especially for agriculture.**We call it the Social Security Administration and The Department of Labor. The National debt and inflation caused by the communal bank has caused the need for a two "income" family. Woman in the workplace since the 1920's, the 19th amendment of the U.S. Constitution, the Civil Rights Act of 1964, assorted Socialist Unions, affirmative action, the Federal Public Works Program and of course Executive order 11000.
- 9. Combination of agriculture with manufacturing industries; gradual abolition of the distinction between town and country by a more equable distribution of the population over the country.

  We call it the Planning Reorganization act of 1949, zoning (Title 17 1910-1990) and Super Corporate Farms, as well as Executive orders 11647, 11731 (ten regions) and Public "law" 89-136.

10. Free education for all children in government schools. Abolition of children's factory labor in its present form. Combination of education with industrial production, etc. etc.

People are being taxed to support what we call 'public' schools, which train the young to work for the communal debt system. We also call it the Department of Education, the NEA and Outcome Based "Education". So, I ask you... does changing the words, change the end result? By using different words is it suddenly OK?????

None are more hopelessly enslaved, as those who falsely believe they are free....
45 Goals of Communism

None of the 45 Communist Goals were in full effect in 1963, as I read them today - I can count 41 of them as 'done deals'. Just read them... again, and see what YOU think.

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Former Russian Premier

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## Quotes by the Red Aggressive Communist Party



Michael Swift: "We shall sodomize your sons, emblems of your feeble masculinity, your shallow dreams, and vulgar lies. We shall seduce them in your schools, youth groups, movie theaters, bathrooms, wherever men are men together. Your sons will become our minions and do our bidding. They will be recant in our image. They will come to praise and adore us."

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Religion for a New Age Humanist Magazine

"The classroom must and will become an arena of conflict between the old and the new, and the rotting corps of Christianity together, with all its adjacent evils and misery, and the new face of humanism."

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Peter Singer:

**Bioethics: Princeton University** 

"Christianity is our foe. If animal rights are to succeed, we must destroy the Judeo-Christian religious traditions."

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Hillary Clinton: "We must stop thinking of the individual, and start thinking about what is best for "Society."

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Karl Marx: "Ideas are more powerful than guns. We would never let our enemy have

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Al Sharpton "We don't owe America anything, America owes us!"

Goal: 30 Discredit the American Founding Fathers. Present them as selfish aristocrats who had no concern for the "common man."

Wesley Clark: "Life begins with a woman's decision."

Janet Reno: "Waiting periods are only a step. Registration is only a step. The prohibitions of private

firearms is the goal."

Joseph Stalin: "{State Controlled} Education is a weapon, where effort depends on

who holds it in his hands, and at whom it is aimed."

<u>Vladimir Lenin</u>: "A system of licensing and registration is the perfect device to deny gun ownership to the

bourgeois."

Comrade Henry Waxman: "If someone is so fearful that they are going to start using their weapons to protect

their rights, it makes me very nervous that these people have weapons."

Karl Marx: "Everything that exists deserves to perish."

Bill Clinton: "There are a lot of very brilliant people who believe that the nation-state is fast becoming

a relic of the past."

Jane Fonda: "I would think that if you understood what Communism was, you would hope,

you would pray on your knees, that we would someday become Communists."

Nikita Khrushchev: "We cannot expect the Americans to jump from Capitalism to Communism, but we can

assist their elected leaders in giving Americans small doses of Socialism, until they

suddenly awake to find they have Communism."

Jessie Jackson: "Hey, Hey, Ho, Ho, Western Civilization, has got to go."

Liberal Agenda = Moral Anarchy

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#39 Tom Maerling COMMON SENSE IS THE NEW BUZZ WORD/PHRASE BEING USED BY THE GUN

GRABBERS.

COMMON SENSE LEGISLATION- COMMON SENSE measures - COMMON SENSE gun control

Even the Mayor of Minneapolis threatened gun manufacturers that if they didn't support common sense gun control laws he would find new manufacturers to buy from.

These Laws are so Common Sense that people have to be threatened to support is

So where is the common sense in taking firearms from us the people who are not using them to kill other people and then saying that will reduce the number of people killed?

Where is the common sense in limiting a single mom to 7 bullets when protecting herself and her children from home invaders?

Are you also going to limit the number of home invaders, to one, that are allowed to attack, rape and rob per her at one time.

Where is the common sense in reducing magazines to 7 thereby making 90% of firearms illegal and then telling us that it's not infringing on our rights to keep and bear arms?

Where is the common sense in mentioning deer hunting in talking about the 2nd Amendment when the 2nd Amendment has nothing to do with hunting deer?

Where is the common sense in taking the means of self protection away from law abiding families when you know full well you are leaving them sitting prey for the garbage criminals that you like to pretend will lay down their arms when they hear about the new law?

You are in fact aiding and abetting this garbage in assaulting us the law abiding citizens.

So much so that You should in fact be charged as an accomplice in any crime hereafter perpetrated upon us by the garbage you are aiding.

Where is the common sense in arming criminals with unlimited capacities of ammunition while restricting the law abiding citizen that they will be preying on to 7?

Where is the common sense in voting on a bill you haven't even read?

The Answer to all these questions is: there is no common sense there. is only an illusion; An illusion being created by gun haters because they have no evidence to justify the restricting and confiscation of our firearms.

In fact if they bring forth any evidence it will show that gun control areas are more crime ridden than those without.

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### Orders from General Thomas Gage to March to Concord

Below is the transcript of the very order given by General Cage gave to his troops that Revere became aware of and rode to Concord to prevent. The order was issues to British Lieutenant Colonel Francis Smith on the afternoon of April 18, 1775, just few hours before the Midnight Ride began. This short transcript sheds some interesting details on the intentions of the regulars, including "not to plunder the inhabitants, or hurt private property". It also mentions a small party of horseback that preceded the march and which probably was the one to capture Revere.

Orders from General Thomas Gage to Lieut. Colonel Smith, 10th Regiment 'Foot

Boston, April 18, 1775 Lieut. Colonel Smith, 10th Regiment 'Foot,

Sir

Having received intelligence, that a quantity of Ammunition, Provisions, Artillery, Tents and small Arms, have been collected at Concord, for the Avowed Purpose of raising and supporting a Rebellion against His Majesty, you will March with a Corps of Grenadlers and Light Infantry, put under your Command, with the utmost expedition and Secrecy to Concord, where you will seize and distroy all Artillery, Ammunition, Provisions, Tents, Small Arms, and all Military Stores whatever. But you will take care that the Soldiers do not plunder the Inhabitants, or hurt private property.

You have a Draught of Concord, on which is marked the Houses, Barns, &c, which contain the above military Stores. You will order a Trunion to be knocked off each Gun, but if its found impracticable on any, they must be spiked, and the Carriages destroyed. The Powder and flower must be shook out of the Barrels into the River, the Tents burnt, Pork or Beef destroyed in the best way you can devise. And the Men may put Balls of lead in their pockets, throwing them by degrees into Ponds, Ditches &c., but no Quantity together, so that they may be recovered afterwards. If you meet any Brass Artillery, you will order their muzzles to be beat in so as to render them useless.

You will observe by the Draught that it will be necessary to secure the two Bridges as soon as possible, you will therefore Order a party of the best Marchers, to go on with expedition for the purpose.

A small party of Horseback is ordered out to stop all advice of your March getting to Concord before you, and a small number of Artillery go out in Chaises to walt for you on the road, with Sledge Hammers, Spikes, &c.

You will open your business and return with the Troops, as soon as possible, with I must leave to your own Judgment and Discretion, I

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regarding safe handling of guns should save some lives. And how about outreach to gun owners by other gun owners about effectively locking up their guns? Also, I'd like to see leading community figures put a lot more emphasis on training in the safe handling of guns, We expect people to be competent before they drive a car afterall.

Surely, we should be able to find some areas of agreement.

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Subject Statement on SAFE Law

To the Clerk of the Ulster County Legislature:

I was planning to make a statement in support of the Legislature's resolution against the NY SAFE Law at the meeting tonight, but I'm sick in bed with a fever, so I will send it to you.

Susan J. Murphy, BSN, RN 5 Cantine's Island Saugerties, NY 12477

My name is Susan Murphy, I live in Saugerties. I am not a Republican; I am a left-liberal independent who votes Democrat on the Working Families line, and a retired registered nurse. I am not a gun owner or user. I wish to speak in support of the Legislature's resolution opposing the SAFE gun law, because I oppose some parts of the law, particularly the mandate that mental-health therapists report their clients, which I think may have disastrous consequences. But even more than the content of the law, I oppose the egregiously anti-democratic way it was passed. It is completely unacceptable that such an important law should have been railroaded through for an all-or-nothing midnight vote, with no opportunity for public comment.

I am disappointed that this current national crisis is the cause for yet another rift between factions and attempt at a quick fix. Instead of alienating the gun-owners, we should be joining together with them to address the deeper problems of which these outbreaks of gun violence are just a symptom.

It's understandable that some people would want to label guns as the source of our problem, but they are not. This is a very sick society. Violence is glorified everywhere you look. The best of our youth are sent out to slaughter and be slaughtered in wars. Our industrial jobs have been sent overseas. The poor get poorer, our inner cities are wastelands, while the rich get ever richer. Services are being cut so that the greedy can have their 3rd yacht or their 5th house or their 10th luxury car. Our education system is being starved. The Earth is being plundered and

poisoned. Social justice is dead. You think these things are irrelevant to the subject at hand? Think again.

I've looked carefully at the demographics of gun violence, and as I read them, it's largely about poverty and crime. The headline-grabbing killers like the ones in Newtown or Aurora are statistical outliers. This is NOT about race, it is about poverty. The man in the White House notwithstanding, we have not overcome racism in this country, which is why poverty is disproportionately a problem for Black and Latino people. It has nothing to do with their morals or intelligence - it's about discrimination.

Since the 1960's, many people have called for measures that would have prevented these problems, and grown a decent, healthy, fair society, but we've been whistling into a tornado of denial, greed and violence. Programs to lift people out of poverty have been doled out by teaspoons, and soon die of attrition. Now we're reaping that whirlwind. I don't expect my words to be heeded any more than they have been for the past 50 years, but I have to try.

Look how we are conducting ourselves: angry denunciations on both sides instead of attempts at dialogue. Let us go back and try again, with a clearer understanding of where the real problems lie. Let us design the world we want to live in, and work together to make it so. I predict that after a generation or two of hope, respect, decent education, housing and jobs, there will be a very different picture. With criminal background checks, we will be able to trust the good people who own and use guns for lawful purposes.

Thank you, Susan J. Murphy, BSN, RN (retired) ·Victoria Ann Fabella/Legislature/Ulster County

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Subject Public Comment for Tonight's Meeting

## Ulster County Legislature-

I am an Ulster County resident and would like to voice my opposition to the memorializing resolution opposing the SAFE Act. I do not think that a county legislature with a track record of accomplishing virtually nothing over the last few years should be wasting the taxpayers dollars and time with these types of resolutions that accomplish

nothing. It would be wise to use this time to improve our county. I disagree with both sides of the aisle using these measures, last month's resolution by the Democrats was just as unnecessary.

As far as the SAFE Act is concerned. It is time that lawmakers start to side with parents and responsible gun owners, and stand up against the fringe survivalists of the NRA. I am a lawyer and former NRA member, I cancelled my membership recently after Mr. LaPierre's comments after the Newtown massacre. I believe people have the right to bear arms based on the Second Amendment of our U.S. Constitution. However, like all other rights, this is not a right above restrictions. Justice Scalia has made that abundantly clear in recent Supreme Court holdings. I often wonder how many of you have even read our Constitution or understand it. You have taken an oath to uphold it, but does that mean anything to you when the rights aren't as supercharged politically as the right to bear arms?

I strongly urge you to stop the political grandstanding, and get back to the business of the county. If you want to make state law policy maybe you should run for the state legislature and get elected, until then leave state policy up to the Assembly and Senate.

Regards,

Marc Rider

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regarding safe handling of guns should save some lives. And how about outreach to gun owners by other gun owners about effectively locking up their guns? Also, I'd like to see leading community figures put a lot more emphasis on training in the safe handling of guns, We expect people to be competent before they drive a car afterall.

Surely, we should be able to find some areas of agreement.

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Subject Statement on SAFE Law

To the Clerk of the Ulster County Legislature:

I was planning to make a statement in support of the Legislature's resolution against the NY SAFE Law at the meeting tonight, but I'm sick in bed with a fever, so I will send it to you.

Susan J. Murphy, BSN, RN 5 Cantine's Island Saugerties, NY 12477

My name is Susan Murphy, I live in Saugerties. I am not a Republican; I am a left-liberal independent who votes Democrat on the Working Families line, and a retired registered nurse. I am not a gun owner or user. I wish to speak in support of the Legislature's resolution opposing the SAFE gun law, because I oppose some parts of the law, particularly the mandate that mental-health therapists report their clients, which I think may have disastrous consequences. But even more than the content of the law, I oppose the egregiously anti-democratic way it was passed. It is completely unacceptable that such an important law should have been railroaded through for an all-or-nothing midnight vote, with no opportunity for public comment.

I am disappointed that this current national crisis is the cause for yet another rift between factions and attempt at a quick fix. Instead of alienating the gun-owners, we should be joining together with them to address the deeper problems of which these outbreaks of gun violence are just a symptom.

It's understandable that some people would want to label guns as the source of our problem, but they are not. This is a very sick society. Violence is glorified everywhere you look. The best of our youth are sent out to slaughter and be slaughtered in wars. Our industrial jobs have been sent overseas. The poor get poorer, our inner cities are wastelands, while the rich get ever richer. Services are being cut so that the greedy can have their 3rd yacht or their 5th house or their 10th luxury car. Our education system is being starved. The Earth is being plundered and

poisoned. Social justice is dead. You think these things are irrelevant to the subject at hand? Think again,

I've looked carefully at the demographics of gun violence, and as I read them, it's largely about poverty and crime. The headline-grabbing killers like the ones in Newtown or Aurora are statistical outliers. This is NOT about race, it is about poverty. The man in the White House notwithstanding, we have not overcome racism in this country, which is why poverty is disproportionately a problem for Black and Latino people. It has nothing to do with their morals or intelligence - it's about discrimination.

Since the 1960's, many people have called for measures that would have prevented these problems, and grown a decent, healthy, fair society, but we've been whistling into a tornado of denial, greed and violence. Programs to lift people out of poverty have been doled out by teaspoons, and soon die of attrition. Now we're reaping that whirlwind. I don't expect my words to be heeded any more than they have been for the past 50 years, but I have to try.

Look how we are conducting ourselves: angry denunciations on both sides instead of attempts at dialogue. Let us go back and try again, with a clearer understanding of where the real problems lie. Let us design the world we want to live in, and work together to make it so. I predict that after a generation or two of hope, respect, decent education, housing and jobs, there will be a very different picture. With criminal background checks, we will be able to trust the good people who own and use guns for lawful purposes.

Thank you, Susan J. Murphy, BSN, RN (retired)