

Dear Representative/Senator,

As we grieve the senseless loss of so many children as a result of yet another school shooting, I am heartbroken, outraged, and deeply concerned about gun violence in this country. As your constituent, I implore you to address this epidemic plaguing our nation and destroying our communities.

As a Lawyer Mom, I believe in the power of our legal system and the ability to change and impact our communities with the necessary laws in place. As a parent, I want to peace of mind knowing that my children are safe in their schools and are free to learn and thrive in an environment free from gun violence.

The mass shooting at Robb Elementary School comes nearly 10 years after the deadliest school shooting on record, where 26 people were killed and two were injured at Sandy Hook Elementary School in December 2012. Still, congress has failed to enact the necessary laws to prevent gun violence and to protect the wellbeing and safety of our children. Gun violence is a public health issue and it is taking an unacceptable toll on our society. You must act now.

We, your constituents, urge you to take action today to ensure that:

- High-capacity weapons and ammunition magazines should not be available to civilians. There is no legitimate self-defense or sporting purpose for these military-style, high-capacity weapons and magazines whose only purpose is to kill large numbers of people in a short amount of time. **We need an effective assault weapons ban now.**
- Every person who buys a gun must pass a background check. No longer should we allow for loopholes, such as the “gun show loophole,” or the “boyfriend loophole,” or other gaps. **We need to require universal background checks on all gun purchases.**
- **Gun trafficking become a federal offense.** Gun trafficking fuels the flow of guns nationally and internationally, and is a major contributing cause to extreme gun violence everywhere.

Whether it is a mass shooting in Texas, Florida, Virginia, Colorado, or Connecticut; or the day-to-day gun violence in metropolitan areas like Chicago, Los Angeles, Philadelphia, and New York; or the suicide that daily plagues rural and urban communities alike, our hearts are filled with rage and sorrow for the loss of life and the trauma it brings.

We need you to take action to stop the terrible epidemic of gun violence our society is suffering. We look forward to working with you to enact these common-sense measures to reduce gun violence and we will continue to support you in your fight to pass these needed laws immediately. As your constituents, we are asking you to lead.

Sincerely,

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