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An open letter to the members of the Board of Directors of the NRA:

Ladies & gentlemen of the Board,

We, NRA members and the leaders Gun Owners of New Hampshire, Inc., the NRA State Affiliate organization for New Hampshire, write to you today in support, but also with concern & alarm. We are all aware that the enemies of freedom are preparing a renewed & reinvigorated assault on our civil rights and liberties. With the election behind them, the mainstream media in their pocket, and a brand new tragedy to exploit, we anticipate a 'no-holds barred' assault on freedom. The real tragedy of course, is that rather than seek real solutions that would protect our children, these events are seen as opportunities to enhance their agenda of disarming American citizens.

While Feinstein's renewed "Assault Weapons Ban" will likely be the latest battle, this is not a new war. The enemies of the Second Amendment's ultimate goal is nothing short of the total disarmament of the American citizen. And if the long war to preserve our firearms civil rights and freedoms has taught us anything, it is that the enemies of freedom will take advantage of ANY legislation, ANY regulation, or ANY rule which will advance their cause, whether for a gain in the short term, or the long. It is to this point that NRA's Press Conference of December 21, 2012 is cause for concern. Among the many excellent and truthful arguments articulated by Wayne LaPierre at NRA's 12/21 press conference (Bravo), was the comment, "given our nation's refusal to create an active national database of the mentally ill".

In our opinion this is a dangerous path to suggest and plays into the hands of those who would disarm us. A national list of the "Mentally ill", is not equivalent to a national list of convicted felons. The latter had their day in court, while the former is nebulous at best and subject to bureaucratic randomness & abuse. If 'Adjudication to be mentally defective' is determined by a court; and if such citizens, once cured, have a reliable and expedient mechanism in place for the restoration of their civil rights, then we can agree. But that strict construction is unlikely to be the outcome, and even if it were, it would be subject to expansion and ever growing inclusions and abuses. This pathway is the proverbial camel's nose in the tent.

We, members of the NRA, look to you, our Board of Directors, to spearhead an effective defense against the anticipated onslaught against our Second Amendment freedom. We expect however, that in defeating this season's anti-freedom legislation, we do not open the door for tomorrow's defeat. Let us be mindful of the war, not just the battle. In our attempt to be part of the solution, let us not hand our defeat to the enemy.

Therefore, we the undersigned, implore the Board of Directors to direct the executive leadership of the National Rifle Association to bring to bear all resources necessary to effectively defend the Second Amendment to the Constitution of the United States, without compromise. NFA 1934, GCA 1968, and

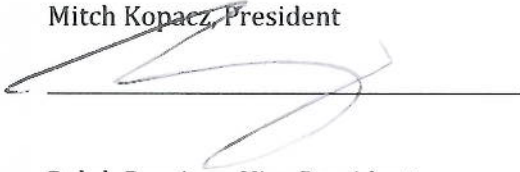
Brady 1994 were compromises with the promise of being the "last gun law we will ever need".
Infringement of the right of the people to keep and bear arms must stop here and now.

Board of Directors of the National Rifle Association of America – please do not bend to the onslaught of media and public pressure. We ask only that you do what is right, follow that truth, and do what is your sworn duty. Be the NRA that rightly STANDS UP to government bully tactics and DEMANDS an end to the assault on our civil liberties and freedom!

Yours in freedom,

The undersigned Officers and Directors of Gun Owners of New Hampshire, Inc.

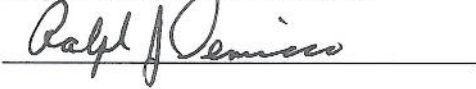
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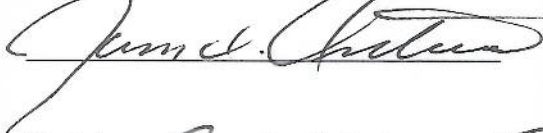
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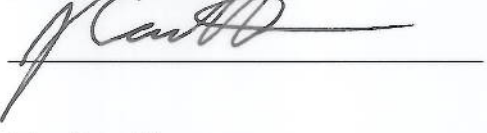
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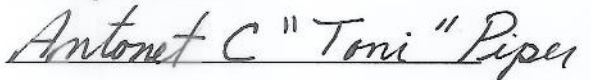
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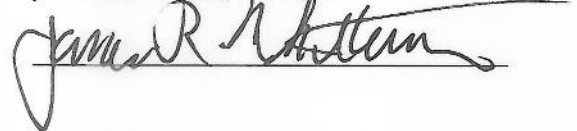
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