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December 14, 2018

Dear Senator _____ or Representative _____:

December 14, 2018 is the six-year mark of the Sandy Hook tragedy when a gunman suffering from mental illness used an AR-15 with high capacity magazines to brutally murder 20 children and six educators.

Since that horrific day, over 600,000 Americans have been killed or injured by guns in towns and cities across our nation; there have been more than 1,800 mass shooting incidents according to Gun Violence Archive; the number of gun deaths has increased to 38,000 in 2016; and three of the five deadliest mass shootings in modern U.S. history have occurred within the last two years.

Gun violence is a public health emergency and Congress has been complicit. Congress has offered up thoughts and prayers but it has failed to take action to end gun violence in America. Congress must find the courage to reject the corporate gun lobby to protect all Americans from gun violence.

It's time for Congress to #HonorWithAction. Therefore, a coalition of 80 gun violence prevention organizations and allies representing seven million Americans, implore you to pass these sensible gun laws that will help to steadily reduce gun homicides, gun suicides, unintentional shootings, mass shootings and gun injuries in America.

1. Background checks on all gun sales
2. Close the Charleston loophole or “delayed denial” where federally licensed dealers can sell guns if three business days pass without a verdict from the FBI
3. Restrict and penalize firearm possession by or transfer to a person subject to a domestic violence protection order or a person (including dating partners) convicted of a domestic violence misdemeanor
4. Prohibit firearm sale or transfer to and receipt or possession by an individual who has: (1) been convicted in any court of a misdemeanor hate crime, or (2) received from any court an enhanced hate crime misdemeanor sentence
5. Mandatory waiting period for gun purchases
6. Red flag/gun violence restraining order/extreme risk protection order to temporarily prohibit an individual deemed by a judge to pose a danger to self or others, from purchasing or possessing firearms or ammunition and allow law enforcement to remove any firearms or ammunition already in the individual’s possession
7. Handgun permitting, licensing, training, and registration
8. Ban bump-fire stocks and other dangerous accessories
9. Ban future manufacture and sale of assault weapons, regulate existing assault weapons under the National Firearms Act of 1934, and initiate a federal gun buyback program
10. Limits on high capacity magazines
11. Prohibit open carry
12. Make gun trafficking a federal crime
13. Repeal Protection of Lawful Commerce in Arms Act (PLCAA) to eliminate the corporate gun industry special protection from civil justice law that no other industry enjoys
14. Fund government research on gun violence
15. Child access prevention/safe storage requirement
16. Provide resources for people with mental illness
17. Microstamped code on each bullet that links it to a specific gun
18. “Smart guns” with Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) or biometric recognition (fingerprint) capability
19. Limit gun purchases to one gun per month to reduce trafficking and straw purchases
20. Require licensing for ammunition dealers
21. Enhance accountability of federally licensed firearms dealers
22. Digitize the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) gun records
23. Raise the minimum age for gun purchases to 21
24. Ban 3D and ghost guns
25. Prohibit guns in schools and college campuses
26. Report lost and stolen guns

Congress can do more to end gun violence in America to make our communities safer therefore we demand a vote on these common sense measures. If Congress fails to take action again then another 400,000 Americans will be killed or injured by guns and we will witness more and more horrific mass shooting incidents before the 10-year mark of the Sandy Hook tragedy.

Sincerely,
Newtown Action Alliance
American Family Voices
American Federation of Teachers
American Medical Student Association (AMSA)
Anna's Place: A Franciscan Hospitality Center
Arizonans for Gun Safety
Brady Campaign to Prevent Gun Violence united with Million Mom March
Ceasefire Oregon
CeaseFire Pennsylvania
Central Lutheran Church, Seattle, Washington
ChangeTheRef
Coalition Against Gun Violence
Delaware Coalition Against Gun Violence
Doctors for America
Equality California
Equality Florida
Franciscan Action Network, Washington, D.C.
Franciscan Sisters of the Poor, US Area
Franciscans for Justice, Sacramento, California
Georgia Alliance for Social Justice
Global Coalition For Peace and Civility
Global Exchange
Grandmothers Against Gun Violence - Cape Cod
Gun Violence Prevention PAC
GunControlToday
GunSense Vermont
Healing 4 Our Families & Our Nation
Herndon-Reston Alliance to end Gun Violence
Illinois Council Against Handgun Violence
International Health & Epidemiology Research Center
Joint Action Committee
Jr Newtown Action Alliance
Leadership Team of the Felician Sisters of North America
League of Women Voters of Florida
MA COALITION TO PREVENT GUN VIOLENCE
March For Our Lives Arizona
Missionary sisters of the immaculate conception USA province
MomsRising
Monmouth Center for World Religions and Ethical Thought
Mt Vernon Unitarian Church
National Action Network
National Council of Jewish Women

New Castle Promise
New Mexicans to Prevent Gun Violence
#NoRA
North Carolinians Against Gun Violence Education Fund
Ohio Coalition Against Gun Violence
One Pulse for America
Orange Ribbons For Jaime
Organizing For Action
Pax Christi Metro DC -Baltimore
Pride Fund to End Gun Violence
Rabbinical Assembly
RaisingVoicesUSA
Reconstructionist Rabbinical Association
Safe Tennessee Project
San Diegans for Gun Violence Prevention
Sisters of St. Francis of the Neumann Communities
St. Marks Episcopal Church Capitol Hill DC
States United to Prevent Gun Violence
Stop Handgun Violence
StudentsMarch.org
Survivors Empowered
Survivors Lead
Team 26
The Campaign to Keep Guns off Campus
The CT Effect
The ENOUGH Campaign
The Newtown Foundation
Urban Word NYC
Vermont Youth for GunSense, GunSense Vermont
Virginia Center for Public Safety
Vision Quilt
WAVE Educational Fund
WAVE- Women Against the Violence Epidemic.
We the People for Sensible Gun Laws
Wheaton Franciscans, Illinois
Women Against Gun Violence
Women's March
Women's Voices Raised for Social Justice