



September 2, 2014

Wayne LaPierre
Executive Vice President and CEO
National Rifle Association of America
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Fairfax, VA 22030

Dear Mr. LaPierre:

We write to request your support on an important piece of legislation.

Last week, we joined together to introduce new legislation in New York City creating a gun crime offender registry. This new registry would provide the general public with information regarding felony gun offenders in their communities, information we believe is vital to keeping our neighborhoods safe.

We write collectively to ask that your organization stand with us and support this legislation, joining our non-partisan effort to alert communities to felony gun offenders in their area while also increasing the stigma associated with illegal firearm use.

Since this legislation deals only with criminals, and since our focus is solely on illegal guns and their illegal use, we would hope that you would join us in this effort. Given your organization's stated position as both "America's foremost defender of Second Amendment rights" and the "premier firearms education organization in the world," we feel certain that support of a public registry highlighting felony gun offenders fits well within your mission.

A copy of this legislation, as well as copies of relevant media coverage, is attached. We look forward to your support of this vital legislation, and we hope you will join us in taking a strong stand against criminality and illegal gun use.

Sincerely,

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Bronx Borough President

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Council Member

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Paul A. Vallone
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