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H. RES. 1267

Supporting the Second Amendment's guarantee that the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed, and opposing the Biden administration's efforts to undermine that guarantee at every opportunity.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 31, 2024

Mr. WILLIAMS of Texas (for himself, Mr. BIGGS, Mr. DONALDS, Mrs. HARSHBARGER, Mr. HUDSON, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Ms. BOEBERT, Mr. CLINE, Mr. VAN DREW, Mr. NORMAN, Mr. FRY, Mr. WALBERG, Mr. CRENSHAW, Mr. MOORE of Alabama, Mrs. LESKO, Mr. MOOLENAAR, Mrs. MILLER of West Virginia, and Mr. PENCE) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

RESOLUTION

Supporting the Second Amendment's guarantee that the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed, and opposing the Biden administration's efforts to undermine that guarantee at every opportunity.

Whereas the Second Amendment to the Constitution safeguards the right of the people to keep and bear arms, declaring that such right shall not be infringed;

Whereas James Madison, the father of the Second Amendment, stated, "Americans have the right and advantage

of being armed—unlike citizens of other countries whose governments are afraid to trust the people with arms.”;

Whereas it has nonetheless been a stated goal of the Biden administration to restrict, burden, and undermine the ability of ordinary law-abiding citizens to exercise their right to keep and bear arms;

Whereas President Biden has repeatedly evinced disdain for ordinary civilian gun owners and mocked the historical understanding of the Second Amendment as an important protection against crime, tyranny, and oppression;

Whereas President Biden has signed multiple Executive orders directing Federal agencies to act far outside the scope of their constitutional and statutory authority to dramatically expand restrictions on the lawful purchase and possession of firearms by ordinary civilians;

Whereas the Biden administration has repeatedly encouraged Federal, State, and local lawmakers to pass gun control measures that self-evidently violate the spirit and letter of the Second Amendment, remove legal protections for peaceable gun owners, target the lawful gun industry, and endanger public safety by hindering the practical abilities of law-abiding citizens to defend themselves and others from violent threats;

Whereas there have been an increased number of rules issued by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives in recent years aimed at restricting Americans’ right to keep and bear arms; and

Whereas the Bureau of Industry and Security has restricted the fundamental Second Amendment right enumerated in the Bill of Rights by implementing policies that limit commercial firearm exports without providing adequate

reasoning to why such a prohibition is necessary: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2 (1) reaffirms the support for the Second
3 Amendment and the constitutional guarantee that
4 the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall
5 not be infringed;

6 (2) disapproves of President Biden’s gun con-
7 trol agenda and hostility towards the lawful gun in-
8 dustry;

9 (3) opposes the Biden administration’s contin-
10 uous abuse of executive branch authority to restrict
11 citizen’s fundamental Second Amendment right;

12 (4) disapproves of recent administrative rule
13 and policy changes by the Bureau of Alcohol, To-
14 bacco, Firearms, and Explosives to restrict citizen’s
15 Second Amendment right; and

16 (5) disapproves of the Bureau of Industry and
17 Security policies to limit lawful firearm exports and
18 bad-faith attacks on civilian gun ownership.

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