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Dear Mr. Lamb,

I am not big on guns; I've done some light target shooting. My family and friends hunt and fish; I do not belong to the NRA.

Early last fall I learned of a thorough study that stated banning guns is "futile" and that we should be targeting the violator. I began to wonder why all the fuss about guns.

At our earliest beginnings we were under British rule; they tried to confisgate all guns. If they had succeeded, we would not have our freedom; all 13 signers of the Declaration of Independence would be shot - as promised.

How soon we forget from whence we came. I have to agree with one (probably many others) who stated that when the Second Amendment was written, the "militia" operated separate from the government, a professional citizen-soldier group. After all, it was a militia who broke the British rule. The militia received guns from the people, definitely not the British.

Those early founders probably never even thought of guns as sports when they wrote the Second Amendment. Guns for food was as common as growing vegetable gardens; they would probably turn over in their grave at how the people's rights have been "infringed".

Switzerland requires a gun in every household, I believe; their crime rate is very low; so, also, is Israel (I don't know their laws). I understand Hitler's first step was to take all the guns. A police state happens one step at a time.

The stiffer drug laws went too far, confiscating property without due process. And, yet, stiffer drug and drunk driving laws reduced over-all crime. Drugs are not licensed; excessive registration, licensing will not reduce crime. Only 10% of crimes are committed with a LEGAL gun. 7% career criminals are terrorizing our country, committing ALMOST 70% of the crime and BIG DADDY and BIG MOMMIE government are chasing ducks, instead of deer, severely punishing all the good guys/gals owning guns or buying/selling guns.

A militia, as provided by the Constitution, required the people to have all kinds of weapons, even assault weapons. How easy it is to trample underfoot the Constitution. Please take action to reduce level of fear, repeal the Brady Bill.

Sincerely,

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