

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

February 1, 2024

The Honorable James Michael “Mike” Johnson
Speaker of the United States House of Representatives
H-232, the Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Speaker Johnson:

As we head into the 2024 election year, the Republican Conference will have numerous opportunities to prove to the American people why our party should be entrusted with continued control of the House of Representatives. One of the first opportunities to demonstrate a Republican Commitment to America will be to emphatically reject any permanent reauthorization or expansion of the Undetectable Firearms Act.

The Undetectable Firearms Act is an anachronistic piece of legislation that, when signed into law in 1988, prohibited previously nonexistent firearms. This archaic law requires that firearms must be capable of being detected by a metal detector calibrated to detect 3.7 ounces of stainless steel. Thirty-five years later, technology has thankfully rendered this requirement moot. From your local airport to the Smithsonian Institute, body scanners and X-ray machines are more than capable of detecting objects that do not contain metal. Investments in these effective security measures— not ineffective gun control—stand to provide a significantly higher return on public safety for the American people.


A recent redefinition by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (ATF) further raises the stakes for re-authorizing this unnecessary piece of legislation. An ATF rule originally proposed to redefine the “frame or receiver of a firearm” such that each gun could have a dozen or more regulatable parts under the Undetectable Firearms Act. Implementation of such a definition could have resulted in the largest gun ban in history. Anyone whose gun had even one small plastic “major component” could be charged with owning an undetectable firearm – all because that gun part failed to meet archaic security standards from 1988 that were never intended to apply to so many gun parts.

The Biden Administration has already demonstrated its ability to weaponize the Undetectable Firearms Act into a widespread plastic gun ban. Congress must not permanently reauthorize this law, especially while ATF’s final definition of a “frame or receiver” is still being considered in the courts.

As the House continues delivering a conservative governing agenda, we encourage you to oppose any permanent reauthorization or expansion of the Undetectable Firearms Act. We look

forward to working together under your leadership to secure a victory for the Second Amendment.

Very Respectfully,



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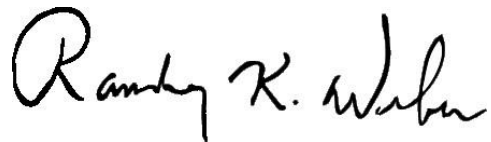
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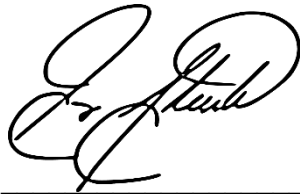
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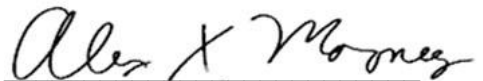
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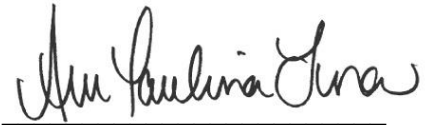
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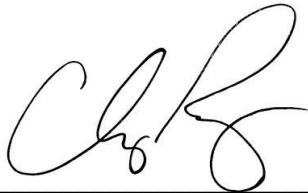
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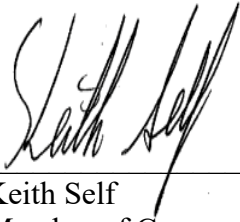
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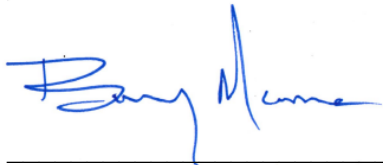
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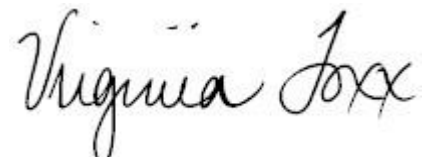
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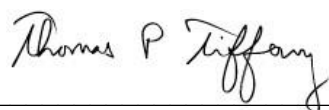
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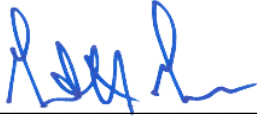
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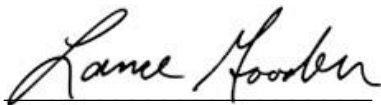
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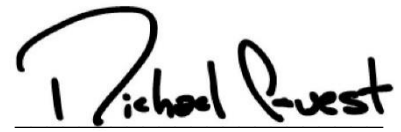
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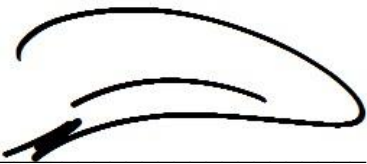
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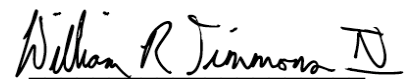
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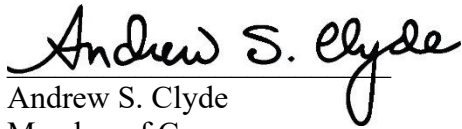
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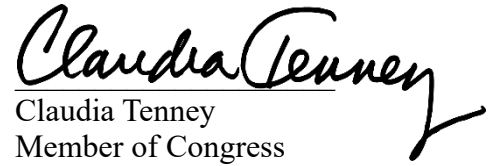
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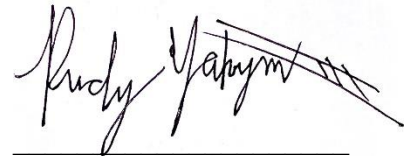
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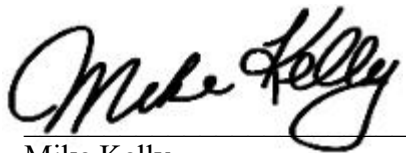
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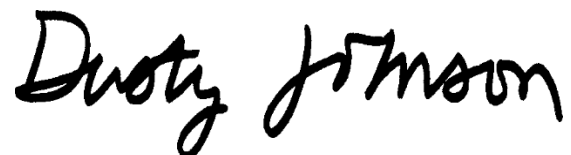
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