

Resolution Requesting the Congressional Delegation of the State of _____ to End the Abuse of Tort Law Against the Firearms Industry

WHEREAS, Citizens have a right, protected by the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution, to keep and bear arms; and

WHEREAS, Lawsuits have been commenced against manufacturers, distributors, dealers, and importers of firearms that operate as designed and intended, which seek money damages and other relief for the harm caused by the misuse of firearms by third parties, including criminals; and

WHEREAS, The manufacture, importation, possession, sale, and use of firearms and ammunition in the United States are heavily regulated by Federal, State, and local laws including the Gun Control Act of 1968, the National Firearms Act, and the Arms Export Control Act; and

WHEREAS, Businesses in the United States that are engaged in interstate and foreign commerce through the lawful design, manufacture, marketing, distribution, importation, or sale to the public of firearms or ammunition that has been shipped or transported in interstate or foreign commerce are not, and should not, be liable for the harm caused by those who criminally or unlawfully misuse firearm products or ammunition products that function as designed and intended; and

WHEREAS, Thirty-three states have passed legislation protecting firearms and ammunition manufacturers, and legislation in Congress supporting this measure has broad bipartisan support; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the _____(House/Senate) of the State of _____ requests our elected Representatives and Senators in the United States Congress to end the abuse of tort laws against the firearms industry.

RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the state of _____'s Congressional Delegation.

If you have any questions about this sample resolution, please contact Amanda Hydro at Americans for Tax Reform at (202) 785-0266.

The Second Amendment guarantees the rights of individuals to keep and bear firearms for lawful purposes, however over the past several years, over 30 cities and counties, as well as individuals, across the country have sued the gun industry. These anti-gun activists are attempting to bankrupt a lawful industry through numerous court cases, exorbitant court costs, and the threat of ruinous judgments. Please go to www.nra.org for more information.