

Chair Schaffer, Vice Chair Huffman, Ranking member Fedor and members of the Senate Agriculture and Nature Resource Committee. Thank you for the opportunity to testify in Support of Senate Joint Resolution 3.

At a very young age my dad started taking us out hunting with him. My brother and I would take turns on who got to go out with my dad. We use to walk right out back though the woods behind our house onto my grandfathers property. My dad would have to constantly remind us to watch where we walked and to stay quiet walking through the woods so we wouldn't scare off the wildlife. When we got to the spot that we where hunting at, I would try to sit there quietly and watch for deer or squirrels depending what we where hunting for. So at a very young age I would always look forward to getting to go out and spend that one on one father son time together.

When my brother and I got older my dad would take us out back and target practice. Where he taught us proper gun safety, to always make sure the safety was on, finger off the trigger and the gun always pointed in a safe direction.

When I turned 12 years old I finally got to go take my Hunting Safety course and get my Hunting License.

From that point on, any chance we got we would go out hunting. From those all day long rabbit and pheasant hunting where we use to walk field after field hoping our dog would find something for us to shoot. To the all day young hunts that we got to go on out of town with my dads friends and there kids also. To freezing in the winter time out deer hunting. All these memories we got to make and bond with my dad and brother.

My dad taught use responsibility, respect, safety and many more things growing up and going out hunting. And for those reasons I want to guarantee future generations of children the same moments with there parents and family members.

I would like to thank Chair Schaffer, Vice Chair Huffman, Ranking Member Fedor and members of the Senate Agriculture and Natural resource committee for allowing me to speak in support of Senate Joint Resolution 3. And I am ready to answer any questions that you may have.