March 6, 2023

Chairman Peterson Members of the Government Oversight committee

RE: In Favor of House Bill 51, the Second Amendment Preservation Act

Dear Chairman Peterson and Members of the Government Oversight Committee,

I am writing today to urge you to protect our freedoms and pass HB 51, the Second Amendment Preservation Act.

Our rights and freedoms are God-given and protected by the Constitution. However, after the last three years, it is obvious that the federal government, as well as other branches of government, have at their will, not the will of the people, taken freedoms away from Americans, including Ohioans under what was called, "Emergency Powers". The freedoms and rights of everyday citizens were stripped through lockdowns, forced masking, limited entry into establishments based on vaccination status and freedom of movement/travel, to name a few.

All taking of freedoms through "Emergency Power" tactics were wrong and mentally, physically and financially harmful to most Ohioans in every way. No rights or freedoms should have ever been taken from us and with your help in passing House Bill 51, our Constitutional rights and freedoms will never be taken from us again.

I am urging you to do what is necessary to prevent the federal government, or any other branch of government, from taking take our Constitutional rights and freedoms from us for any reason, especially those on a whim or based on a political agenda inconsistent with protecting our Constitutional rights. Elected legislators must act in ways, and pass laws that, uphold our Constitutional rights.

Passing House Bill 51 is part of this duty to protect the freedoms giving to Ohioans by God and the Constitution. Allowing the Federal government to dictate any laws beyond its limited powers only erodes the powers of the people and turns this "free" country into a socialist, fascist, communist nation.

Please pass House Bill 51, the Second Amendment Preservation Act.

Thank you!

Kindest regards,

Kim Arnold