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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

SUPPORTING THE SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Whereas, the Second Amendment to the Constitution of the United
2 States, adopted in 1791 as part of the Bill of Rights, protects the
3 individual right of the people to keep and bear arms; and

4 Whereas, the Second Amendment to the Constitution of the United
5 States reads, "A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security
6 of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not
7 be infringed."; and

8 Whereas, the United States Supreme Court, in District of Columbia v.
9 Heller, 554 U.S. 570 (2008), affirmed an individual's right to possess
10 firearms unconnected with service in a militia for traditionally lawful
11 purposes such as self-defense within the home; and

12 Whereas, the United States Supreme Court, in McDonald v. Chicago,
13 561 U.S. 742 (2010), affirmed that the right of an individual to keep and
14 bear arms, as protected under the Second Amendment, is incorporated by the
15 Due Process Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment and therefore applicable
16 against the several states of the United States; and

17 Whereas, Article II, section 26, Constitution of Arizona, provides
18 that "[t]he right of the individual citizen to bear arms in defense of
19 himself or the state shall not be impaired, but nothing in this section
20 shall be construed as authorizing individuals or corporations to organize,
21 maintain, or employ an armed body of men"; and

22 Whereas, the members of this Legislature took an oath to support and
23 defend the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution and Laws
24 of the State of Arizona, and it is appropriate and fitting that we
25 reaffirm our commitment to that oath.

26 Therefore

27 Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Arizona,
28 the Senate concurring:

29 1. That the Members of the Legislature reaffirm their commitment to
30 support and defend the rights and liberties of the citizens of Arizona as
31 guaranteed by the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution
32 of Arizona, including the right to keep and bear arms as guaranteed by the
33 Second Amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

34 2. That the Members of the Legislature encourage all citizens of
35 Arizona to support and defend their right to keep and bear arms as
36 guaranteed by the Constitutions of the United States and the State of
37 Arizona.