

CeaseFirePA

Taking a Stand Against Gun Violence in Pennsylvania

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The Honorable Elijah E. Cummings
2235 Rayborn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Ranking Member Cummings and Representative Maloney:

CeaseFirePA is Pennsylvania's largest gun violence prevention organization and partners with mayors, police chiefs, faith leaders, community organizations and Pennsylvanians to take a stand against gun violence in Pennsylvania. Through education, outreach, coalition building and advocacy, we work to reduce gun violence, stop the flow of illegal guns into our communities and keep guns out of the hands of people who should not have them.

Thank you for your leadership in introducing legislation to address the critical challenge of firearms trafficking. CeaseFirePA understands that most crime guns start out as legal guns and become illegal guns through loss, theft or improper transfer. Trafficking is a tremendous problem. Strengthening the penalties for illegal trafficking is a crucial part of the fight against gun violence.

CeaseFirePA supports the proposed legislation and looks forward to working with you as we continue this important work. We hope you will share this letter of support with the co-sponsors of the bill, and we are very pleased that Pennsylvania Representatives Meehan and Fitzpatrick have joined you in pursuing this critical legislation.

Sincerely,

SHIRA GOODMAN
Executive Director