Dear Senator,

I attend Manchester United Methodist Church in Manchester, Missouri and am your constituent. In light of the recent shootings in Buffalo, New York, Uvalde, Texas and the many other mass casualty shootings in our country, I strongly urge you to take immediate action to pass House Resolution 8 (HR 8), The Bipartisan Background Check Act of 2021. Background checks save lives and protect communities from gun violence.

Since 1994, over 3.5 million sales have been blocked to violent criminals and other prohibited people because of a background check. However, current Federal law only requires a background check on a prospective gun buyer when a seller is a licensed gun dealer, leaving all other sales—such as gun sales between strangers negotiated over the internet or at a gun show—unregulated and with no background check required. This loophole has deadly consequences. That is why the Senate must take bipartisan action on background checks to keep guns out of the wrong hands.

Background checks are the foundation of any effective effort to reduce gun violence in this country, and these laws enjoy broad public approval, with poll after poll demonstrating overwhelming support. In fact, over 90% of American voters support requiring background checks on all gun sales, including over 80% of gun owners.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter of great urgency,





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