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September 10, 2018

22nd District Agricultural Association
Attn: Board of Directors
2260 Jimmy Durante Blvd.
Del Mar, CA 92014

Dear Members of the Board,

As the Assemblymember representing the 78th District, which includes the Del Mar Fairgrounds, I am writing in support of the Contracts Committee recommendation that no new contracts with producers of gun shows be approved. As stated in my letter of March 12, 2018, it is my firm belief that the State of California should in no way help to facilitate the sale of firearms.

I applaud the 22nd District Agricultural Association (22nd DAA)'s willingness to consider options for limiting or eliminating these gun shows, and believe that this recommendation reflects the desires of the surrounding community. It is my firm belief that the Board itself should carry out this directive, however, I am prepared to act by way of legislation should the 22nd DAA Board be unable to take meaningful action. I have prepared language for introduction in the next legislative session should that become necessary.

With the continued prevalence of gun violence in our nation, it is impossible to ignore the link to the number of guns in our communities. That is why I believe it is imperative to remove the State, to the extent possible, from complicity in these tragedies by restricting gun shows at the Del Mar Fairgrounds.

I appreciate the Board's time and consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,


TODD GLORIA
Assemblymember, 78th District

CC: Tim Fennell, Del Mar Fairgrounds CEO/General Manager