

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

July 23, 2018

President Donald J. Trump
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave.
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President,

We are pleased you directed the Department of Justice (DOJ) to clarify that 'bump fire' stocks, slide-fire devices, and devices with certain similar characteristics are 'machineguns' as defined by the National Firearms Act of 1934 and Gun Control Act of 1968. We urge you to work with us to pursue a legislative solution ensuring proposed regulations regarding bump stocks are permanent and implemented without delay.

While we support banning these devices via rulemaking, we do not feel this strategy alone is sufficient. Bump stocks are just one of many kinds of rapid fire trigger activators the gun industry has developed to circumvent the federal ban on machineguns. While the regulation may govern bump stocks, Congress must act to regulate all of these devices. Without legislative action by Congress, we fear the rulemaking process will be enveloped in lengthy litigation, leaving more communities vulnerable to the damage these devices are capable of inflicting.

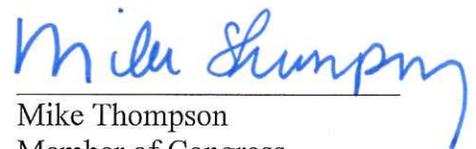
We have no time to waste. Gun violence can impact any community in this country, no matter one's party affiliation or congressional district. Too many of our constituents have experienced such horrors firsthand. At the local and state levels, constituents themselves are taking action on this issue; like us, they know we must act to protect our communities.

Thank you again for your efforts to ban bump stock devices through rulemaking. To fully ensure the safety of American communities, we ask you commit to working with the undersigned members to pass legislation swiftly banning bump stocks and similar devices permanently.

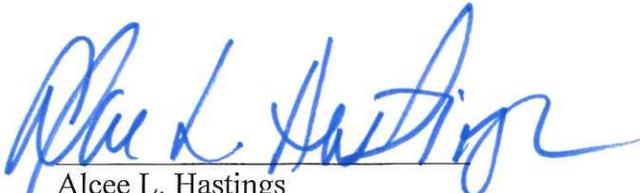
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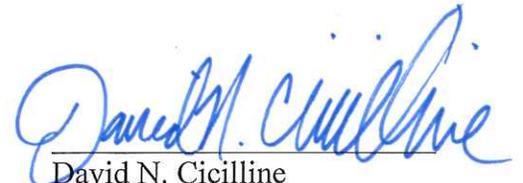
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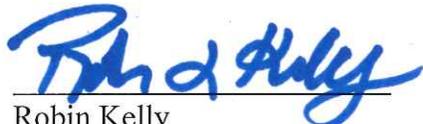
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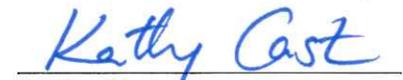
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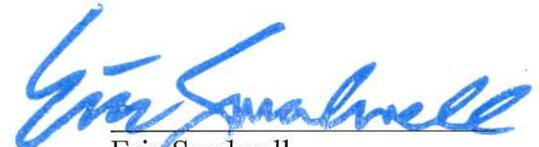
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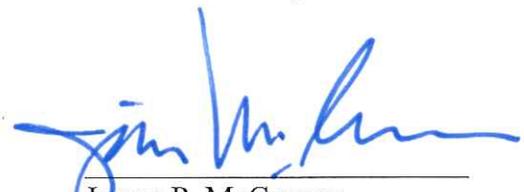
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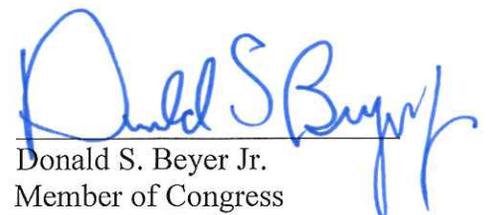
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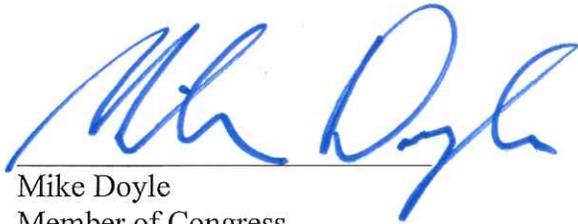
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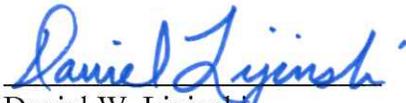
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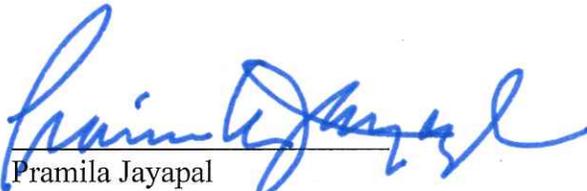
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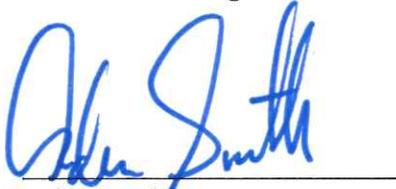
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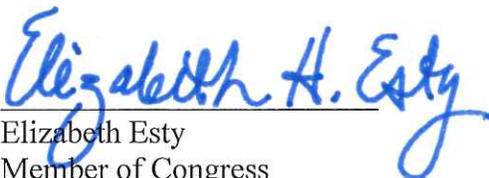
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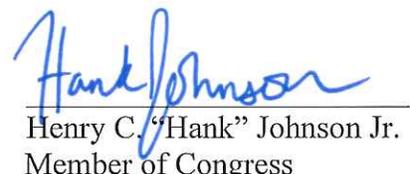
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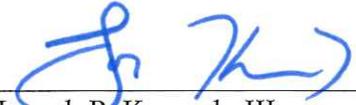
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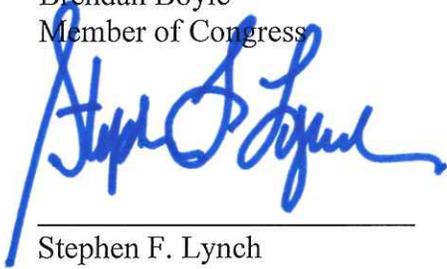
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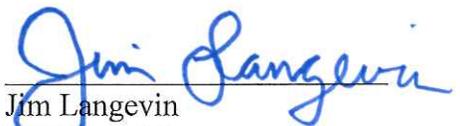
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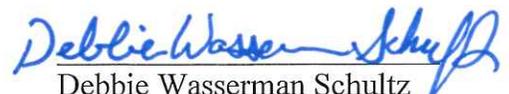
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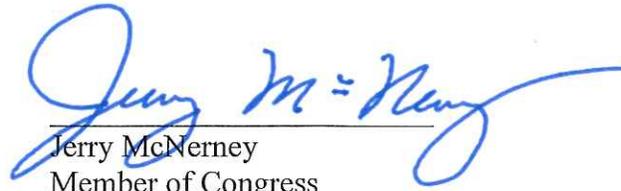
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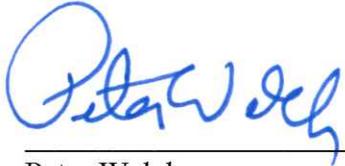
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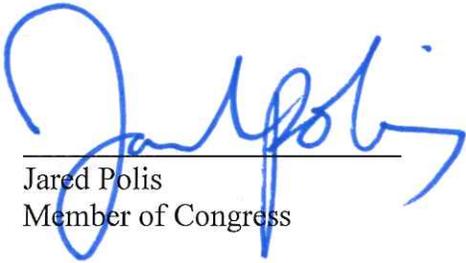
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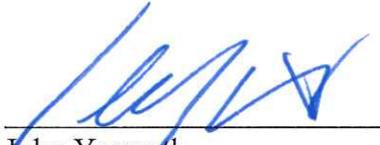
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