

STATE OF ILLINOIS
COUNTY BOARD OF THE COUNTY OF GALLATIN

Resolution # 2023-0112

Resolution opposing the passage of Illinois General Assembly HB5855 Protect Illinois Communities Act, or any bill similar too, where the 102ND Illinois General Assembly is considering legislation to restrict the Individual right of US Citizens as protected by the Second Amendment of the United States Constitution.

WHEREAS, the Right of the People to Keep and Bear Arms is guaranteed as an Individual Right under the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution and under the Constitution of the State of Illinois, and;

WHEREAS, the Right of the People to Keep and Bear Arms for defense of Life, Liberty, and Property is regarded as an Inalienable Right by the People of Gallatin County, Illinois, and:

WHEREAS, the People of Gallatin County, Illinois, derive economic benefit from all safe forms of firearms recreation, hunting, and shooting conducted within Gallatin County using all types of firearms allowable under the United States Constitution and;

WHEREAS, HB5855, or any other similar legislation, is a violation of the 4th Amendment to the US Constitution wherein HB5855, *inter alia*, amends the Firearm Owners Identification Card Act. Eliminates provisions that permit a person under 21 years of age who is not an active duty member of the United States Armed Forces or the Illinois National Guard to obtain a Firearm Owner's Identification Card with parental consent. Amends the Wildlife Code. Provides that when a person under 21 years of age is hunting under the supervision of an adult, the adult must possess a Firearm Owners Identification Card. Amends the Firearms Restraining Order Act. Provides that the State's Attorney of the county where the petition is filed may act as a friend of the court in any action filed under the Act. Provides that a petitioner may request a one-year (rather than 6-month) firearms restraining order. Makes it unlawful to manufacture,

deliver, sell, or purchase or cause to be manufactured, delivered, sold, or purchased or cause to be possessed by another, an assault weapon, assault weapon attachment, .50 caliber rifle, or .50 caliber cartridge. Makes it unlawful for any person to knowingly possess an assault weapon, .50 caliber rifle, or .50 caliber cartridge 300 days after the effective date of the amendatory Act, except possession of weapons registered with the Illinois State Police in the time provided. Prohibits the manufacture, delivery, sale, purchase, or possession of large capacity ammunition feeding devices.

WHEREAS, the Gallatin County Board, being elected to represent the People of Gallatin County and being duly sworn by their Oath of Office to uphold the United States Constitution and the Constitution of the State of Illinois, and;

WHEREAS, the Illinois House of Representatives and the Illinois Senate, being elected by the People of the State of Illinois and being duly sworn by their Oath of Office to uphold the United States Constitution and the Constitution of the State of Illinois, and;

WHEREAS, The Governor of Illinois, being elected to represent the People of the State of Illinois and being duly sworn by your Oath of Office to uphold the United States Constitution and the Constitution of the State of Illinois, and;

WHEREAS, the proposed legislation under consideration by the Illinois State Legislature would infringe the Right to Keep and Bear Arms of the individual citizens of Gallatin County, Illinois, for defense of Life, Liberty and Property and would ban the possession and use of firearms now employed for safe forms of firearms recreation, hunting and shooting conducted within Gallatin County, Illinois;

WHEREAS, the proposed legislation violates, *inter alia*, the 4th Amendment right to keep and bear arms, of the United States Constitution.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT BE AND IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the People of Gallatin County, Illinois, do hereby oppose the enactment of HB5855, or any legislation that

would, *inter alia*, infringe upon the Right of the People to keep and bear arms and consider such laws to be unconstitutional and beyond lawful Legislative Authority.

BE IT FURTHER RESOVLED, that the Gallatin County Board demands that the Illinois General Assembly cease further actions restricting the Rights of the People to keep and bear arms, and hereby demand that the Governor of Illinois veto all such legislation which restricts the Rights of the People to keep and bear arms.


BE IT FURTHER RESOVLED, that the Gallatin County Board hereby orders that Gallatin County shall not support the enforcement of HB5855, or any other similar legislation, that would infringe upon the Rights of the People to keep and bear arms and consider such laws to be unconstitutional and beyond lawful Legislative Authority.

BE IT FURTHER RESOVLED, that Gallatin County shall not support the enforcement of HB5855, or any other similar legislation, through the use of county funds, appropriations, personnel or property.

BE IT FURTHER RESOVLED, any Gallatin County government official is hereby banned from utilizing county resources to enforce HB5855, or any other similar legislation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOVLED, the Gallatin County Board expects all elected officers of Gallatin County to support and enforce this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk of Gallatin County is hereby directed to prepare and deliver certified copies of this Resolution to all members of the Illinois General Assembly and to the Office of the Governor.


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Chairman of the County Board
of the County of Gallatin, Illinois

Attest:


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Clerk of the County of Gallatin, Illinois

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Date



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