September 10, 2013

Marin County Board of Supervisors
3501 Civic Center Drive
San Rafael, CA 94903

SUBJECT: Public Safety and Second Amendment Rights Protection Act of 2013 (H.R. 1565) - SUPPORT

Dear Supervisors:

RECOMMENDATION: On behalf of Supervisors Arnold and Adams, consider support of H.R. 1565 – the Public Safety and Second Amendment Rights Protection Act of 2013 – regarding gun control and background checks

OVERVIEW
Representatives Peter King of New York and Mike Thompson of California have requested your Board’s support of their efforts to introduce a comprehensive, enforceable background checks bill to help keep guns from criminals, terrorists and the dangerously mentally ill while respecting the Second Amendment rights of law-abiding gun owners.

The bill is identical to the Senate background checks effort led by Senators Joe Manchin (D-WV) and Pat Toomey (R-PA), which was defeated in the U.S. Senate earlier this year in response to the tragedy at Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, Connecticut, where twenty children and six adults lost their lives.

The bill is currently sponsored by 185 bipartisan members of the House of Representatives, including Congressman Jared Huffman.

Please feel free to contact me or my staff with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Matthew H. Hymel
County Administrator