

110<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
2<sup>D</sup> SESSION

# H. RES. 1330

Commending the recent decision of the Supreme Court of the United States in *District of Columbia v. Heller* for upholding the right of the individual to keep and bear arms under the second amendment of the Constitution.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 10, 2008

Mr. SALI (for himself, Mr. FRANKS of Arizona, Mrs. DRAKE, Mr. CHABOT, Mrs. MILLER of Michigan, Mrs. MUSGRAVE, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. MILLER of Florida, Mr. DAVID DAVIS of Tennessee, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mrs. CUBIN, Mr. HALL of Texas, Mr. GINGREY, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mr. BRADY of Texas, Mr. PEARCE, Mr. SCALISE, Mr. SHULER, Mr. BUYER, and Mr. CALVERT) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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## RESOLUTION

Commending the recent decision of the Supreme Court of the United States in *District of Columbia v. Heller* for upholding the right of the individual to keep and bear arms under the second amendment of the Constitution.

Whereas the second amendment of the Constitution states, “A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed.”;

Whereas James Madison stated, “The right of the people to keep and bear . . . arms shall not be infringed. A well

regulated militia, composed of the body of the people, trained to arms, is the best and most natural defense of a free country. . . .”;

Whereas Samuel Adams once stated, “[T]he said Constitution [shall] be never construed to authorize Congress to infringe the just liberty of the press, or the rights of Conscience; or to prevent the people of the United States, who are peaceable citizens, from keeping their own arms. . . .”;

Whereas the right to keep and bear arms is now an indisputable individual right;

Whereas Congress must be vigilant to safeguard the second amendment, which is as valuable today as it was at the birth of the Nation;

Whereas the Supreme Court opinion in *District of Columbia v. Heller* reflects the view of our Founding Fathers that law-abiding citizens have the right as individuals to defend their lives, families, and property; and

Whereas no laws shall infringe on the right of law-abiding citizens to keep and bear arms: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives com-  
 2 mends the recent decision of the Supreme Court of the  
 3 United States in *District of Columbia v. Heller* for uphold-  
 4 ing the right of the individual to keep and bear arms under  
 5 the second amendment of the Constitution.

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