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The Elliott Family and The Poppe Law Firm stand in Support of Governor Newsom's Proposed 28th Amendment to Address Gun Violence

Louisville, Kentucky - June 8, 2023 - The Poppe Law Firm, representing the family of Louisville banker Tommy Elliott, mourns the devastating tragedy that unfolded at the Old National Bank in Louisville, Kentucky. In the wake of this senseless act of violence, the Elliott Family stands united in support of Governor Gavin Newsom's proposed 28th Amendment to the United States Constitution. This crucial amendment seeks to introduce comprehensive measures that effectively address the alarming issue of gun violence in our society.

As a community and as individuals, our hearts are heavy with grief as we remember the victims whose lives were tragically cut short and those who were injured. In this time of mourning, we draw strength from the unity and resilience displayed by communities nationwide, as they come together to demand change and put an end to these heinous acts.

Governor Newsom's proposal represents a significant step towards preventing future tragedies like the one that unfolded in Louisville. By raising the minimum age to purchase a firearm to 21, we can ensure that young adults have an additional level of maturity and responsibility before being entrusted with such powerful weapons.

The implementation of universal background checks is an essential measure to prevent firearms from falling into the wrong hands. By closing loopholes and conducting thorough screenings on all prospective buyers, we can enhance public safety and prevent those with a history of violence or mental instability from accessing weapons.

Additionally, the inclusion of a reasonable waiting period for gun purchases is a crucial aspect of Governor Newsom's proposal. This provision allows for a necessary cooling-off period, ensuring that impulsive decisions made in times of anger or distress do not result in irreversible consequences. By providing this time for reflection, we aim to prevent impulsive acts of violence and ultimately save lives.

Furthermore, the proposed ban on civilian purchases of assault weapons is a necessary and vital step forward. The devastating impact of these high-powered firearms on innocent lives is evident in the countless mass shootings that have shaken our nation. By prohibiting their availability to the general public, we can greatly reduce the potential for mass casualties and protect our communities from the horrors of gun violence.

As advocates for change and justice, the Elliott Family urges legislators at both the state and federal levels to rally behind Governor Newsom's proposed 28th Amendment. We implore all elected

officials to set aside political differences and prioritize the safety and well-being of their constituents.

Together, we can create a future where our loved ones can go about their daily lives without fear of becoming victims of gun violence. The time has come for comprehensive and effective measures that will safeguard our communities and honor the memories of those we have lost.

In memory of our beloved Tommy Elliott, we stand in solidarity with Governor Gavin Newsom and all those advocating for this vital amendment. Let us work together to shape a safer and more compassionate society for generations to come.

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