House of Assembly Select Committee on Firearm Legislation and Policy

I write to express my concern at any proposed changes to the legislation surrounding gun laws in this State.

Anybody who lived through the horror of Port Arthur would not wish for another event which appears to be the norm in a gun-centric country like the United States of America.

In the 22 years since the Port Arthur massacre our society has been subject to much more pressure and there are far more people at risk of caving into irrational impulses. The thought that access to firearms could be eased, including automatic and semi-automatic weapons, beggars belief.

The proposals appear to contravene the National Firearms Agreement 1996, which has served this country well and, no doubt, has saved many lives.

I strongly urge the Select Committee to think hard and long, and to resist the noise from well organised, cashed up lobbyists.

Yours sincerely

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