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The Honorable Ron Ramsey
Lt. Governor and Speaker of the Senate
1 Legislative Plaza
Nashville, Tennessee 37243

The Honorable Kent Williams
Speaker of the House
19 Legislative Plaza
Nashville, Tennessee 37243

Dear Lt. Governor Ramsey and Speaker Williams:

This past week's legislative override of the Governor's veto of the restaurant carry bill is a huge win for all Tennesseans. This is but one highlight of the legislative accomplishments protecting our Second Amendment rights during the 106th General Assembly.

I encourage you to take the next step in standing up for our Second Amendment rights by opening the legislative complex to carry permit holders. As you know, Legislative Plaza and the War memorial Building are currently posted to prohibit law-abiding carry permit holders from carrying firearms into the buildings when coming to visit their own elected representatives or to attend legislative sessions. Therefore, any law-abiding permit holder visiting the legislature must leave their gun in the parking lot. We must not be hypocritical in telling our permit holders we trust their judgment all across the state, but not in our workplace. I feel confident lifting this ban would not affect the safety of visitors or ourselves while at the legislature.

I encourage you to lift this prohibition so that Tennesseans do not have to check their Second Amendment rights at the doors to the legislature.

Thank you for your service to the people of Tennessee.

Sincerely,

Joshua Evans
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