

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE
COUNTY OF AMADOR, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

IN THE MATTER OF:

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE SECOND) RESOLUTION NO. 13-021
AMENDMENT AND THE RIGHT OF THE)
PEOPLE TO KEEP AND BEAR ARMS)

WHEREAS, the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution, as part of United States Bill of Rights, ratified on December 15, 1791, protects the right of the people to keep and bear Arms; and,

WHEREAS, two landmark decisions issued by the United States Supreme Court established that the Second Amendment protects an individual's right to possess a firearm unconnected with service in a militia, and to use that Arm for traditionally lawful purposes, such as, but not limited to, self-defense within the home, and that the right could not be infringed by the federal government (District of Columbia v. Heller); and that under the Fourteenth Amendment the right to keep and bear Arms was incorporated and would also prohibit state and local governments from infringement of the right (McDonald v. City of Chicago); and,

WHEREAS, sadly, recent high profile events within our country have sparked discussions of gun-control at the local, state and federal levels and include numerous gun-control proposals that assert to address gun violence while, in fact, many of these proposals would directly infringe upon the Second Amendment rights; and,

WHEREAS, the County of Amador's economy and rural quality are supported by ranching, farming and natural resource businesses, and that the right to keep and bear Arms is fundamental to our right to protect our families, our property, our livestock, and our livelihood, and that the residents of this County respect the rights afforded by the Second Amendment through the recognition and support of responsible firearm ownership, training and awareness; and,

WHEREAS, the strongest reason for the people to retain the right to keep and bear Arms as a last resort to protect themselves against tyranny in government.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Amador County Board of Supervisors supports all discussions seeking new ideas to protect our citizens from violence but cannot abide by any provision infringing upon the Second Amendment.

The foregoing resolution was duly passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Amador at a regular meeting thereof, held on the 26th day of February, 2013, by the following vote:

AYES: Richard M. Forster, Theodore F. Novelli, John Plasse, Brian Oneto and
Louis D. Boitano

NOES: None

ABSENT: None



Chairman, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Jennifer Burns, Clerk of the
Board of Supervisors, Amador County,
California


