

2nd AMENDMENT

Without hesitation, I, Lance Wilson, am dedicated and committed to promoting freedom. With that being stated, I am committed to the Constitution of the United States including defending the rights of law abiding gun owners. I believe in personal responsibility and the GOD-given right to defend yourself and your family. We cannot lose faith in our founding fathers and the foundation they have laid before us to include the Bill of Rights pertaining to the 2nd Amendment. For over two hundred years the Constitution has been the backbone that has held this country together through many rough times. Today, it is as relevant to the wellbeing in our country as it has ever been before.

A threat to our guns and ownership is a threat to our constitutional right. We know the federal government continues to discuss increasing gun laws. Passing more laws and putting tighter restrictions in place will do absolutely nothing to keep criminals from accessing firearms. It will only prevent law abiding citizens from protecting themselves and their families. I am a proud supporter and member of the National Rifle Association and have a constitutionalist view on the 2nd amendment. I will fight for the rights of gun owners in Caldwell County as your Sheriff. If the federal government attempts to come in and seize guns from lawful abiding citizens of Caldwell County, know I will stand for you as your Sheriff and will fight for your rights.

As known, the right to keep and bear arms is guaranteed by the Second Amendment to the Constitution; it may not properly be infringed upon or denied.

I am a firm believer in upholding the rights of the citizens of Caldwell County to keep and bear arms. I will oppose attempts to prohibit ownership of guns by law-abiding citizens, and stand against all laws which would require the registration of guns or ammunition.

I emphasize that when guns are outlawed, only outlaws will have them. In such circumstances, the peaceful citizen's protection against the criminal would be seriously jeopardized.

Listed below we can refer to what our founding fathers said. I agree with these statements and support the entirety of them.

First, Thomas Jefferson: No Freeman shall ever be disbarred from the use of arms.

John Adams: Arms in the hands of citizens may be used at individual discretion in private self-defense.

James Madison: The Constitution preserves the advantage of being armed with Americans possess over the people of almost every other nation, where the Government are afraid to trust their people with arms.

Thomas Payne: Arms discourage and keep the invader and the plunderer in awe and preserve order in

the world as well as property. Horrid mischief would ensue if the law-abiding were deprived the use of private arms.

Thomas Jefferson: Laws that forbid the carrying of arms disarm only those who are neither inclined, nor determined to commit crimes. Such laws make things worse for the assaulted and better for the assailants. They serve rather to encourage than prevent homicides from an unarmed man, may be attacked with greater confidence than an armed man.

The Constitution shall never be construed to prevent the people of the United States who are peaceable citizens from keeping their own arms, Samuel Adams.

George Mason: To disarm the people is the best and most effectual way to enslave them.

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