

coalition to
STOPGUNVIOLENCE
imagine a future free from gun violence

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Dear Rep. Elijah E. Cummings, Rep. Scott Rigell, Rep. Carolyn Maloney, Rep. Patrick Meehan,

The Coalition to Stop Gun Violence would like to thank you for working to keep illegal guns off the streets and out of the hands of individuals prohibited by federal law. Your bill to prevent gun trafficking and penalize corrupt arms dealers is common sense legislation that ensures the safety of all Americans.

As almost 60% of the nation's crime guns come from only 1% of gun dealers, we need this comprehensive legislation to prevent illegal gun transactions.

Your legislation allows for law enforcement to crack down on corrupt guns dealers by penalizing those who knowingly allow criminals access to guns.

Every American should have the security of knowing that prohibited individuals do not have access to firearms. For far too long our communities have been plagued by gun violence and haunted by the pain and turmoil of gun crime. This bill, if enacted would be a very important step to reducing gun crime in our nation.

Thank you again for your work to keep illegal guns off the streets and out of the hands of prohibited people.

Sincerely,



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