National Rifle Association of America **POLITICAL VICTORY FUND**11250 Waples Mill Road

Fairfax, Virginia 22030



Dear California Candidate:

As the 2018 election approaches, the National Rifle Association is receiving inquiries from some of our five million members about federal candidates' positions on issues related to gun control, hunting, and the Second Amendment. To help us respond to those questions, we publish ratings of candidates based on a variety of information, including voting records, public statements, and responses to the enclosed survey.

Additionally, the NRA makes endorsements in selected primary and general elections of candidates with a strong commitment to the rights of law-abiding gun owners and sportsmen.

In order to obtain the best possible information available of your position on timely and relevant federal firearms issues for our members and for our own decision-making process, we request that you complete and return the enclosed candidate questionnaire by <u>Friday</u>, <u>April 27</u>, 2018.

The completed candidate survey <u>MUST</u> be returned, preferably in a PDF format, via email to <u>federalquestionnaires@nrahq.org</u> so that it is received in a timely manner. It is also recommended that you return the original copy through the mail in the enclosed envelope.

If you have any questions about our questionnaire or about NRA involvement in a federal race, please call Brandi Graham Pensoneau, Federal Liaison for California, who may be reached at (202) 651-2560. We look forward to receiving and reviewing your questionnaire and working with you during this election season. Thank you in advance for your prompt participation.

Sincerely,

Jason M. Quimet

Director of Federal Affairs



Zoe Lofgren
Member of Congress

April 23, 2018

Mr. Jason Ouimet Director of Federal Affairs NRA

Dear Mr. Ouiment:

I received your letter and accompanying questionnaire.

Since I have served in the House of Representatives for many years and have an extensive voting record, it is my general policy to decline to fill out questionnaires. If you want to know what my views are it is most reliable to check my voting record both in the Judiciary Committee, in the House as well as the public statements I have made.

If you did, for example, you would see that I voted to re-instate the federal ban on assault weapons, voted against so called "concealed carry weapon reciprocity, voted to allow the CDC to conduct research into guns, voted against removing sound suppressors from the National Firearms Act, voted to expand background checks to private sales and internet sales, voted against the liability shield for gun manufacturers (PLCAA), introduced a bill to ban sales to persons on the Terrorist Watchlist, voted to restrict sales of ammunition for semi-automatic weapons and oppose sale of .50 caliber cartridges among other measures I have taken for sensible gun safety policies.

For many years I have received an "F" rating from the NRA although one year I did receive an "F-" rating.

You ask if I have questions about NRA involvement. I do. What needs to be done to gain an "F-" rating as opposed to a mere "F" rating? It has been reported that the NRA receives funding from Russian sources. Is this true? If so, how much, when and from whom? Your policies have helped cause tens of thousands of innocent Americans to lose their lives to gun violence. How can you face your conscience?

Sincerely,

Member of Congress