## JUST MY OPINION

Roger R. West

I thought I would share a letter U.S. Representative John Rutherford sent me in response to my concerns of H.R. 127. We should all remain vigilant as to what is going on in Washington and contact our elected officials that work for us.

Dear Mr. West,

Thank you for your contacting me about H.R. 127, the Sabika Sheikh Firearm Licensing and Registration Act. I appreciate you taking the time to share with me your thoughts on this important matter.

The right of every American citizen to keep and bear arms is enshrined in the U.S. Constitution. I am a strong supporter of the Second Amendment. As a former sheriff, I have seen how law-abiding citizens have used legal firearms to stop dangerous people from harming themselves, their families, their neighbors, and other innocent people. It is important that gun owners' rights are not infringed upon by the federal government.

While we must ensure criminals do not gain access to firearms, we must do so in a way that does not burden law-abiding citizens with ineffective laws and regulations that overstep the rights of legal gun owners. As you may know, H.R. 127 was introduced by Representative Sheila Jackson Lee (TX-

18) on January 4, 2021. This bill would create a federal firearm registry to be maintained by the Attorney General in coordination with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives.

Please know that I oppose any form of a national registry for firearms. As your Representative in Congress, I am committed to preserving the Second Amendment rights of all Americans and will continue to advocate for policies that help strengthen safety in our communities without infringing on the rights of law-abiding citizens. I will be certain to keep your thoughts in mind should any legislation pertaining to firearms come before me for a vote.

Thank you again for taking the time to contact me. It is my hope that you will continue to keep me apprised of your thoughts on legislative issues important to you. Please also consider signing up for my e-newsletter by visiting my website at rutherford.house. gov, so that I may keep you updated regarding legislation, events, and other information you may find useful.

I don't always agree with Rutherford, however on this item we are in solid agreement. This assault on our 2nd Amendment rights has to be stopped.

As always...that's just my opinion!

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