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2020 City Candidate Survey

Name:	Position Sought:
Address:	City:
City/State/ZIP:	District:
	Party:
Email: _____	Web Site: _____

1. The vast majority of legal scholarship over the last 20 years, including the Supreme Court of the United States, concludes that the right protected by the Second Amendment to the U.S. Constitution is an individual right and not a collective right.

Do you believe that the Right to Keep and Bear Arms is an individual right?

Yes _____ No _____

2. Like most states, Virginia preempts localities from enforcing their own gun-control ordinances to prevent gun owners from unknowingly running afoul of a patchwork of criminal laws. However, despite the overwhelming enactment of Second Amendment sanctuary resolutions in virtually all localities, the 2020 General Assembly passed legislation that allows localities to enact ordinances restricting the carrying or possession of firearms in certain municipal facilities.

Will you OPPOSE any ordinance to restrict the carrying or possession of firearms by law-abiding citizens in recreation centers, libraries, or other local government properties or facilities?

Yes _____ No _____

3. **Will you OPPOSE any attempt to restrict or prohibit discharge of firearms currently allowed on private property?**

Yes _____ No _____

4. **Will you OPPOSE any attempt to close any existing public firing range for any reason other than criminal charges of reckless endangerment?**

Yes _____ No _____

5. The \$35 local law-enforcement portion of the concealed handgun permit fee was determined at a time when local law enforcement spent \$28 running fingerprints through the FBI. The local fingerprint requirement for concealed handgun permit applicants was repealed in 2012. The fee was NEVER meant to be a revenue stream, or profit on citizens' self-defense rights. There are numerous positions in law-enforcement that come with built-in down time (running radar, dispatching service calls, jailor duties, among others), so there is NO need to budget hours to process permits.

Will you SUPPORT the elimination, or at least reduction, of the \$35 locality-based portion of the concealed handgun permit fee?

Yes _____ No _____

6. Gun control politicians in Richmond have declared war on the right to keep and bear arms. Many localities rushed to declare themselves Second Amendment Sanctuaries, resolving that absolutely NO county resources would be used to enforce unconstitutional legislation out of D.C. or Richmond.

So far, more than 34 localities have passed resolutions stating that they will not enact any more local gun control, even though authorized to do so by the 2020 General Assembly.

Will you SUPPORT a resolution declaring no more local gun control?

Yes _____ No _____

7. In 2004, Virginia's preemption statute (§15.2-915) was amended to prohibit localities from adopting or enforcing actions governing the purchase, possession, transfer, ownership, carrying, storage, or transportation of firearms, ammunitions, or components.

Nevertheless, many localities still have outdated ordinances that are not in compliance with the Code of Virginia.

Will you VOTE to remove outdated ordinances that attempt to regulate firearms in contravention to Virginia's preemption statute?

Yes _____ No _____

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Candidate Authorization	
My signature affirms that the answers given above accurately represent my beliefs as a candidate for elective office.	
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Candidate's Signature	Date