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Chair Moller, Chair Novotny and Committee Members,

I am writing in support of two bills being heard today that are included in the Governor's Gun Violence Prevention package, HF3407 (Pinto) and HF4359 (Berg).

Gun violence is a consistent problem in Minnesota. From recent events with the targeting and murder of Minnesota legislators and the horrific shooting at the Annunciation school in Minneapolis, it is clear additional regulations are needed to address gun violence. The Department of Public Safety and the Governor recommend the initiatives included in HF3407 and HF4359 to address the availability of especially dangerous firearms and firearm equipment and prevent gun violence in Minnesota.

Ghost guns do not have serial numbers and can prevent law enforcement from effectively tracing weapons used in a crime. A ban on firearms without serial numbers ensures the regulations of all firearms and supports law enforcement's ability to investigate crimes involving a firearm.

A ban on binary triggers was passed in Minnesota in 2024 but was struck down by the courts on an unrelated legal issue. Binary triggers allow semiautomatic firearms to shoot more than one shot with a single pull and release of the trigger, effectively doubling the rate of fire. Repassing the binary trigger ban provides another tool in addressing the availability of especially dangerous firearm equipment. In addition, repealing the state's preemption of firearm restrictions will allow local governments to enact measures that make sense for their unique communities.

Thank you for hearing these bills. These initiatives will address the availability of the most lethal firearms, provide awareness of existing tools to prevent gun violence, and reduce gun violence in Minnesota.

Sincerely,

Bob Jacobson, Commissioner
Department of Public Safety

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A S S O C I A T I O N

March 18, 2026

Rep. Dave Pinto
5th Floor Centennial Office Building
St. Paul, MN 55155

Re; HF 3407– Ghost Guns

Dear Representative Pinto:

I write to express the strong support of the Minnesota County Attorney's Association for House File 3407, which will prohibit the sale and possession of ghost guns.

On behalf of the Minnesota County Attorneys Association I want to thank for your authorship and leadership on this important issue.

Sincerely,



Robert M. Small
Executive Director



Minnesota State Legislature
House Public Safety and Finance Committee
321 State Capitol
75 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.
St. Paul, MN 55155-1050

Re: Addressing Ghost Guns: Support for HF 3407, being heard in the House Public Safety and Finance Committee

Dear Chair Moller, Chair Novotny and Members of the Committee,

As the largest gun violence prevention organization in America, we are writing to express our strong support for HF 3407. We would like to thank the bill's authors and sponsors for their leadership in bringing forward HF 3407, a critical step in modernizing Minnesota's public safety laws to address the growing threat of untraceable, unserialized "ghost guns."

The Threat of Untraceable Firearms

Ghost guns are functional firearms assembled from kits or 3D-printed parts that lack serial numbers. Because they are untraceable, they pose a unique and severe threat to public safety:

- **Evading Accountability:** Without serial numbers, these firearms are nearly impossible for law enforcement to trace when recovered at crime scenes.
- **Bypassing Safeguards:** They are a primary tool for individuals who are legally prohibited from possessing firearms to circumvent the background check system and obtain guns they can't legally buy.
- **Undermining Progress:** The rise of these firearms weakens our existing efforts to prevent gun violence and hold gun traffickers accountable.

Addressing the 3D-Printed Firearm Surge

While 3D printed firearms were once considered a fringe aspect of the ghost gun problem, 3D-printing technology has become significantly more affordable and



advanced. What was once a fringe concern is now an emerging public safety crisis that requires specific, targeted policy responses. HF 3407 addresses the root of this problem by:

1. **Prohibiting Unlicensed Manufacturing of 3D Printed Guns:** Closing the loophole that allows individuals to print functional firearms at home without a license.
2. **Regulating the Digital Code that Makes Possible the 3D Printing of Illegal Firearms :** Prohibiting the distribution and sale of digital instructional files to non-licensed manufacturers—the code that tells a 3D printer how to create a lethal firearm.

Joining a National Standard

Minnesota has the opportunity to join 16 other states that have already moved to regulate ghost guns. This is a common-sense, proactive measure to ensure our laws keep pace with technology. By passing HF 3407, you are ensuring that Minnesota does not become a haven for the manufacture of untraceable, 3D-printed firearms.

We urge the Committee to move HF 3407 forward and maintain the momentum toward a safer Minnesota. Everytown for Gun Safety stands ready to support your efforts in protecting our communities from these dangerous threats.

Sincerely,

Charles Allen

Charles Allen
State Government Affairs
Everytown for Gun Safety



Tuesday, March 24th, 2026

Minnesota State House Public Safety Committee

Co-Chair Moller, Co-Chair Novotny, and members of the Minnesota State House Public Safety Committee,

I write today on behalf of GIFFORDS in strong support of HF3407, a bill to ban the possession and sale of ghost guns. GIFFORDS is a leader in the movement to end gun violence in America. Led by former Congresswoman Gabrielle Giffords, our team brings decades of political, legal, and policy expertise to the fight for gun safety.

In recent years, the market for “DIY” ghost guns has expanded rapidly while remaining dangerously unregulated. These kits and related products are called “ghost guns” because they are typically sold and assembled without serial numbers or a background check, making them untraceable and easily accessible to criminals. As their production and usage has proliferated, more than 15 other states have enacted critical reforms to stop the unchecked production of these unserialized guns.

Law enforcement recovered and traced more than twice as many privately manufactured firearms at crime scenes in 2022 and 2023 as they did in the five years between 2017 and 2021 combined. In total, between 2017 and 2023, 92,702 suspected privately manufactured firearms were recovered at crime scenes and traced by ATF.

On top of untraceable firearms being increasingly used in crimes, they are also increasingly being trafficked. According to the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms, between 2017 and 2021, unlicensed making was a top ten trafficking channel identified in firearm trafficking investigations. By advancing HF3407, Minnesota can keep these dangerous weapons out of communities, prevent senseless deaths, and help local law enforcement more effectively do their jobs.

Combatting the scourge of gun violence in Minnesota and across the United States will take cooperation and a multi-faceted approach. We are confident that passing this bill into law will save lives, and we urge this committee to support this critical piece of legislation.

Sincerely,

Spencer Myers
State and Local Policy Attorney, GIFFORDS Law Center

Testimony of Alexandra Lillehei for HF 3407
Position: PRO

Volunteer for Gun Violence Prevention

Minnesota House Public Safety Finance and Policy

Chair Moller and Committee Members,

My name is Alexandra Lillehei and I am writing today to urge the committee to support HF 3407, a bill to prohibit the sale and possession of a ghost gun.

I have a loved one who is a survivor at Annunciation, so I write with personal experience of why we need gun safety members.

I am testifying today because:

According to Everytown USA, ghost guns are the fastest-growing gun safety problem facing our country. It is estimated that more than 70,000 suspected ghost guns were recovered by law enforcement between 2016 and 2022—the majority of which were recovered in 2021 and 2022. They are becoming a weapon of choice for gun traffickers and right-wing extremists. The country has also seen incidents of gunfire on school grounds and unintentional shootings by children involving ghost guns.

All firearms should be regulated and traceable for safety as they are an instrument of deadly force.

I encourage members of the committee to vote YES on HF 3407.

Thank you for considering this testimony and this important legislation.

Testimony of Amy H Lyke for HF 3407

Volunteer with Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense In America

Minnesota House Public Safety Finance and Policy

Chair Moller, Chair Novotny and Committee Members,

My name is Amy H Lyke, and I am writing today to urge the committee to support HF 3407, a “Ghost Gun and 3D Printing” bill to prohibit unserialized firearms and unfinished frames or receivers, create a process for serialization with a grace period, cap at three per year the number of firearms someone can manufacture without an FFL, prohibit 3D printing of firearms and distributing design files to non-FFLs, and create penalties up to five years in prison and or a \$10,000 fine. This bill includes exemptions for antiques, pre-1968 firearms, law enforcement, military, FFLs, and new residents.

I am a high school teacher and live in St Michael. Each and every day, my students and I are faced with the reality that we could very likely be the target of gun violence while at school. The security put into place and the lockdown drills that we are required to practice make that a very tangible reality. As a parent, an aunt, a churchgoer, and a teacher, I understand the risk we are in very acutely. I fear that one of these days, I will be laying down my life to try to protect children from a mass shooting.

I am testifying today because we need to limit the production of 3D printed firearms. We need to take a stand by penalizing those who are profiting from the production of them with potential prison time and fines. This will deter production. It will make our communities safer.

I encourage members of the committee to vote YES on HF 3407.

Thank you for considering this testimony and this important legislation.

Testimony of Angie Lillehei for HF 3407
Position: PRO

Volunteer for Gun Violence Prevention

Minnesota Senate Judiciary and Public Safety Committee

Chair Moller and Committee Members,

My name is Angie Lillehei and I am writing today to urge the committee to support HF 3407, a bill to prohibit sale and possession of a ghost gun.

I have a loved one who is a survivor at Annunciation, which has made gun violence prevention my passion.

I am testifying today because:

My personal experience as a public health professional leads me to support the prohibition of the sale and possession of a ghost gun. There is no place for handmade guns that are untraceable and unregulated and deadly.

According to Everytown USA: Ghost guns are the fastest-growing gun safety problem facing our country. It is estimated that more than 70,000 suspected ghost guns were recovered by law enforcement between 2016 and 2022—the majority of which were recovered in 2021 and 2022. They are becoming a weapon of choice for violent criminals, gun traffickers, and other legally prohibited persons, as well as right-wing extremists. The country has also seen incidents of gunfire on school grounds and unintentional shootings by children involving ghost guns.

All firearms should be regulated and traceable for safety as they are an instrument of deadly force.

I encourage members of the committee to vote YES on SF 3661.

Thank you for considering this testimony and this important legislation.

Testimony of Chad Kuyper for HF 3407

Volunteer with Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America

Minnesota House Public Safety Finance and Policy

Chair Moller, Chair Novotny, and Committee Members,

My name is Chad Kuyper and I am writing today to urge the committee to support HF 3407, a “Ghost Gun and 3D Printing” bill to prohibit unserialized firearms and unfinished frames or receivers, create a process for serialization with a grace period, cap at three per year the number of firearms someone can manufacture without an FFL, prohibit 3D printing of firearms and distributing design files to non-FFLs, and create penalties up to five years in prison and or a \$10,000 fine. This bill includes exemptions for antiques, pre-1968 firearms, law enforcement, military, FFLs, and new residents.

I’m a professor at Normandale Community College, which underwent a major construction project a few years ago. At a faculty meeting where the contractors explained our new office setup to us, the discussion point that took the most time and drew the most impassioned opinions was not whether our new offices were accessible to students with disabilities. It was not whether the restrooms were ideally situated; it wasn’t even the coffee machine’s new location.

It was whether our new offices were properly defended against an active shooter.

Professors from every discipline peppered their questions with words like “sightlines” and “access points,” and as the discussion wore on, I could feel myself getting angry that this is our new normal, an outlandish status quo.

Our state still bears the scars of Annunciation. Teachers and students go to class wondering if their school will be the site of the next tragedy – because there will be one. This is not what freedom what looks like. This is not what law and order looks like. Regulation of ghost guns is a basic step that does not infringe on the individual right of gun ownership and moves us one step closer to society where the unthinkable is no longer possible.

Thank you for considering this testimony and this important legislation.

Sincerely,
Chad Kuyper

March 10, 2026

Esteemed Representatives of Minnesota -

My name is Danneka Halverson, I am a resident of Edina MN. I am writing to support passing Bill HF3407 to regulate ghost guns and unserialized firearms, prohibit the use of 3D printers to manufacture firearms, and prohibit the distribution and sale of instructional files to non-licensed manufacturers that tell 3D printers how to print firearms.

I share my viewpoint not only as a resident of Minnesota, but as a parent of kids in public school and as an educator in a public school district here in the metro area. On the morning of last August 27th I was sitting in a back to school staff meeting about safety and security updates to our building when we heard the news of the horrific events across town. The irony of this is almost unbearable - school staff continue to do everything we can each year to protect ourselves and our students, and yet we are simultaneously, constantly reminded that it is not enough.

As a parent and an educator, this topic has hit too close to home for too long. Each year at work I have experienced lockdown drills with students as young as 3 and 4 years old. Times when we applaud students not for learning their ABCs or how to share toys, but instead applauding them for sitting quietly in the corner of a dark room. Educators spend immense bandwidth and resources to support our students during these intense drills and to keep our students safe everyday. Accordingly to Everytown for Gun Safety Research, in 2025 alone there were at least 159 incidents of gunfire on school grounds across our country. For comparison, In Minnesota we have 165 instructional days. That means that almost everyday an educator like myself drives home from school, there is a news story that reminds us that we are not safe from violence.

As an educator, and as a parent, it is my job to do all I can to keep my children and my students safe. For too long we have borne the weight of this responsibility while lawmakers at every level say nothing can be done. Elected representatives have the job of doing everything they can do to keep the residents of Minnesota safe. Regulating ghost guns and unserialized firearms will help keep all Minnesotans safer. I urge you to pass the bill. Thank you.

Danneka Halverson
Edina, MN

Chair Moller, Chair Novotny, and Committee Members,

My name is Barbara Landes and I am writing today to urge the committee to support HF 3407, which would prohibit people from purchasing, selling or transferring a firearm or unfinished frame or receiver without a serial number.

I am a retired Elementary school teacher who spent far too much time and energy preparing to protect my students from a potential active shooter situation. Such a task was not even an issue when I began my career in the 1970s and it pains me to realize how much of a threat gun violence is to our children today. Even beyond and including school shootings, gun violence is now the leading cause of death among children nationally!!! I have young family members that I want to see live to adulthood. I would like the threat of gun death to be removed from their lives and the thoughts of their parents. This will not happen without common sense legislation on your part.

I am writing today to urge you to pass HF 3407 to regulate ghost guns. These unserialized, untraceable firearms pose a serious threat to public safety. Lacking serial numbers and being easily assembled with 3D printers or from online sellers, these weapons are nearly impossible for law enforcement to trace. This makes them attractive to individuals who are legally prohibited from possessing firearms and to those who want to evade detection. Background checks are the foundation of any comprehensive gun violence prevention strategy. We need to prohibit the spread of 3E-printed guns and ghost guns with stronger policies and laws.

I implore the members of the committee to vote YES on HF 3407.

Thank you for considering my comments and this vital legislation.

Respectfully,
Barbara Landes
14398 Embassy Way
Apple Valley, MN

Testimony of Dr. Eileen F. N. Collard for HF 3407

Volunteer with Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense In America

Minnesota House Public Safety Finance and Policy

Chair Moller, Chair Novotny and Committee Members,

My name is Dr. Eileen F. N. Collard, and I am writing today to urge the committee to support HF 3407, a “Ghost Gun and 3D Printing” bill to prohibit unserialized firearms and unfinished frames or receivers, create a process for serialization with a grace period, cap at three per years the number of firearms someone can manufacture without an FFL, prohibit 3D printing of firearms and distributing design files to non-FFLs, and create penalties up to five years in prison and or a \$10,000 fine. This bill includes exemptions for antiques, pre-1968 firearms, law enforcement, military, FFLs, and new residents.

I am a resident of Minneapolis, MN and have been a volunteer since 1998 in the movement to prevent gun violence. As a state leader with Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense , I have been doing welcome calls to new members since 2015 and always keep tissues handy in case I reach someone who has been directly touched by gun violence. Their stories are invariably heartbreaking to hear. Gun violence affects survivors for the rest of their lives.

I am testifying today because I believe gun violence can be prevented, if there are common-sense laws in place to make guns less accessible, and the vast majority of US citizens support stricter measures such as HF 3407. Public health statistics consistently show that states with the strictest gun laws have fewer gun deaths.

National-level laws, such as HF 3407, are essential if we are to reduce access to unserialized guns throughout our country. For instance, this bill would set a limit of three firearms per year that someone could manufacture without an FFL.

I encourage members of the committee to vote YES on HF 3407.

Thank you for considering this testimony and this important legislation.

Testimony of Ellie Grmberg for HF 3407

Minnesota House Public Safety Finance and Policy

Chair Moller, Chair Novotny and Committee Members,

My name is Ellie Gromberg and I am writing today to urge the committee to support HF 3407, a “Ghost Gun and 3D Printing” bill to prohibit unserialized firearms and unfinished frames or receivers, create a process for serialization with a grace period, cap at three per year the number of firearms someone can manufacture without an FFL, prohibit 3D printing of firearms and distributing design files to non-FFLs, and create penalties up to five years in prison and or a \$10,000 fine. This bill includes exemptions for antiques, pre-1968 firearms, law enforcement, military, FFLs, and new residents.

I am a resident of Monticello Minnesota and as someone who works in children’s mental health, I care deeply about the health and safety of my community. I have been hurt by the gun violence that has been a growing presence throughout my early adulthood.

I am testifying today because it is our duty to care about how to keep our citizens safe and consider what actions we can take to limit unnecessary and unchecked acts of violence through a system that is not currently doing the bare minimum to keep legislation up to date with new technology.

My experience leads me to emphasize this bill’s ability to cap at three per year the number of firearms someone can manufacture without an FFL and prohibit 3D printing of firearms and distributing design files to non-FFLs while having a reasonable process for serialization with a grace period as well as include exemptions for antiques, pre 1968 firearms, law enforcement, military, FFLs, and new residents.

I encourage members of the committee to vote YES on HF 3407.

Thank you for considering this testimony and this important legislation.

Ellie Gromberg

Testimony of Elyse Moretti Forbes for HF 3407

Volunteer with Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense In America

Minnesota House Public Safety Finance and Policy

Chair Moller, Chair Novotny and Committee Members,

My name is Elyse Moretti Forbes and I am writing today to urge the committee to support HF 3407, a “Ghost Gun and 3D Printing” bill to prohibit unserialized firearms and unfinished frames or receivers, create a process for serialization with a grace period, cap at three per year the number of firearms someone can manufacture without an FFL, prohibit 3D printing of firearms and distributing design files to non-FFLs, and create penalties up to five years in prison and or a \$10,000 fine. This bill includes exemptions for antiques, pre-1968 firearms, law enforcement, military, FFLs, and new residents.

I am a mom, healthcare worker, and former teacher and have seen how communities can be impacted on an ongoing basis by gun violence. I live in Eden Prairie, and my daughter started kindergarten the week after the horrific shooting at Anunciation that killed 2 children and injured several others.

I am testifying today because:

- Trauma affects people throughout their life; recovery is not a linear journey. It is our duty to pass legislation that will prevent other communities from facing the nightmare the Anunciation community and many other communities are living in. For every act of gun violence we can prevent, we are not only saving people’s lives, we are improving the wellbeing of the community and saving a tremendous amount of money in healthcare expenses and recovery costs.

My experience leads me to support HF 3407 today.

This bill would prohibit 3D printing of firearms and distributing design files to non FFLs. This will help prevent gun violence by unauthorized actors.

I encourage members of the committee to vote YES on HF 3407.

Thank you for considering this testimony and this important legislation.

Testimony of Erin Noel for HF 3407

Volunteer with Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense In America

Minnesota House Public Safety Finance and Policy

Chair Moller, Chair Novotny and Committee Members,

My name is Erin Noel and I am writing today to urge the committee to support HF 3407, a “Ghost Gun and 3D Printing” bill to prohibit unserialized firearms and unfinished frames or receivers, create a process for serialization with a grace period, cap at three per year the number of firearms someone can manufacture without an FFL, prohibit 3D printing of firearms and distributing design files to non-FFLs, and create penalties up to five years in prison and or a \$10,000 fine. This bill includes exemptions for antiques, pre-1968 firearms, law enforcement, military, FFLs, and new residents.

I am a proud resident of South Minneapolis, a few blocks from Annunciation. Last year, our community grieved the loss of too many children and adults to gun violence. This is something we can - and we must - fix.

I am testifying today because we owe it to our community to make Minnesota a safer place to live. My 3 year old niece and 2 year old nephew deserve to grow up in a place with less gun violence.

My experience leads me to emphasize that voting YES on HF 3407 today is a step we must take for a safer community.

This bill would help create a safer place by providing a cap at three per year the number of firearms someone can manufacture without an FFL.

On behalf of this South Minneapolis resident who has seen too much gun violence in my own community, I encourage members of the committee to vote YES on HF 3407.

Thank you for considering this testimony and this important legislation.

Testimony of Gretchen Damon for HF 3407

Volunteer with Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense In America

Minnesota House Public Safety Finance and Policy

Chair Moller, Chair Novotny and Committee Members,

My name is Gretchen Damon and I am writing today to urge the committee to support HF 3407, a “Ghost Gun and 3D Printing” bill to prohibit unserialized firearms and unfinished frames or receivers, create a process for serialization with a grace period, cap at three per year the number of firearms someone can manufacture without an FFL, prohibit 3D printing of firearms and distributing design files to non-FFLs, and create penalties up to five years in prison and or a \$10,000 fine. This bill includes exemptions for antiques, pre-1968 firearms, law enforcement, military, FFLs, and new residents.

I am tired of the gun violence that permeates our society. I live in St. Paul, where city leaders have taken action to reduce gun violence. What are state leaders doing to make all Minnesotans safer?

Certainly, we do not need unregulated firearms that can be manufactured without limits. Ghost guns can bypass background checks, which makes them a major public safety threat. They are untraceable by law enforcement, and so they are a weapon of choice among criminals. Without regulation, the potential for violence from these weapons is frightening.

I am testifying today because our communities need to feel safe from gun violence, especially our children. DIY weapons only accelerate the public health crisis we are experiencing. I do not want one more person to become a gun violence survivor.

I want to emphasize the need for lawmakers to act. When firearms are the leading cause of death for young people, how can leaders look away?

I encourage members of the committee to vote YES on HF 3407.

Thank you for considering this testimony and this important legislation.

Sincerely,
Gretchen Damon
St. Paul Moms Demand Action

TESTIMONY OF JANICE McCLEMENT for HF3407

VOLUNTEER FOR MOMS DEMAND ACTION

Chair Moller, Chair Novotny and Committee Members-

My name is Jan McClement and I am writing today to urge the committee to support HF 3407, a "Ghost Gun and 3D Printing" bill to prohibit unserialized firearms and unfinished frames or receivers, create a process for serialization with a grace period, cap at three per year the number of firearms someone can manufacture without an FFL, prohibit 3D printing of firearms and distributing design files to non-FFLs, and create penalties up to five years in prison and or a \$10,000 fine. This bill includes exemptions for antiques, pre-1968 firearms, law enforcement, military, FFLs, and new residents.

I have been a proud Minnesotan for nearly 20 years. I am the mother of 4 and grandmother of 3 and am quite concerned about the level gun violence in our state and country and the lack of action taken to reduce, let alone prevent it. While we have made some progress with sensible gun legislation in this state, there is more we need to do.

I listened to the testimony of a similar bill being considered in the State Senate and the concerns of law enforcement about the proliferation of unserialized firearms and the challenges this creates to solve crimes committed using them. The increased ease of 3D printing and trafficking of these weapons will only exacerbate this problem. This legislation allows for existing gun owners to become compliant if they have weapons that currently aren't serialized so, while there may be some inconvenience with the firearm registration, the second amendment is not being violated.

I encourage members of this committee to vote YES on HF3407.

Thank you for considering both my testimony and this important bill.

Jan McClement

Testimony of Jane Martin for HF 3407

Minnesota House Public Safety Finance and Policy
Chair Moller, Chair Novotny and Committee Members,

My name is Jane Martin and I am writing today to urge the committee to support HF 3407,

I am a retired educator and have seen and experienced the mental health issues associated with gun violence. We do not have to live this way. We need common sense gun laws in our state, just like 16 other states have decided. The U.S. is the only country among its peers where guns are the number one cause of death for children. You can change this and I urge you to act responsibly.



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This is an issue that we must address because The number of ghost guns recovered by law enforcement in the US has increased at an alarming rate—rising 1,588% from 2017 to 2023. More than 92,700 ghost guns were recovered across the country during that period.(US Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, "National Firearms Commerce and Trafficking Assessment (NFCTA): Volume IV: Protecting America from Trafficked Firearms—Part V: Privately Made Firearms Updates and New Analysis," January 2025,)

Please vote YES on HF 3407. Thank you for considering this testimony and this important legislation.

Testimony of Julie Legler for HF 3407

Minnesota House Public Safety Finance and Policy

Chair Moller, Chair Novotny and Committee Members,

My name is Julie Legler and I am writing today to urge the committee to support HF 3407, a “Ghost Gun and 3D Printing.”

I live in Lakeville, Minnesota. I have gotten involved in gun violence prevention as I have witnessed its growing impact on my granddaughters and children in Minnesota. My 5 year old granddaughter came home from school reporting that “Today we had to hide in the closet with our teacher in case a bad guy tries to hurt us.” Starting at 5 years old, children must participate in these kinds of mass shooter drills which exact trauma and anxiety about attending school. Simply seeing the daily news has exacerbated the fear among them and all of us about becoming gun violence victims anywhere.

This is unacceptable. If passed, this bill will be a factor in providing for the safety of children and all Minnesotans. However, beyond the protection this bill will provide, there is an urgent need to change the culture surrounding guns in our society much like we have successfully changed public attitudes toward drinking and driving, seatbelts, smoking and other public safety concerns. Sensible gun violence prevention laws like HF 3407 are needed as a part of efforts to affect this general cultural change.

Ghost guns are a way in which any person including children can manufacture their own gun. In addition to contributing to the numbr of unserialized guns on the street, creating a ghost gun introduces a novelty - manufacturing your very own gun - that is likely to draw in a whole new sector of people, especially youth, who never would have become involved in the gun culture.

I encourage members of the committe to vote YES on HF 3407.

Thank you for considering this testimony and this important legislation.

Sincerely,
Julie Legler

Testimony of Kelly Erickson for HF 3407

Volunteer with Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America

Minnesota House Public Safety Finance and Policy

Chair Moller, Chair Novotny and Committee Members,

My name is Kelly Erickson, and I am writing today to urge the committee to support HF 3407, a “Ghost Gun and 3D Printing” bill to prohibit un-serialized firearms and unfinished frames or receivers, create a process for serialization with a grace period, cap at three per year the number of firearms someone can manufacture without an FFL, prohibit 3D printing of firearms and distributing design files to non-FFLs, and create penalties up to five years in prison and or a \$10,000 fine. This bill includes exemptions for antiques, pre-1968 firearms, law enforcement, military, FFLs, and new residents.

I am a parent and business owner in Duluth, MN. Recently, a ghost gun was recovered by police during an arrest in nearby Hermantown, MN. It is incredibly disturbing to me as a parent and business owner that ghost guns are present in our streets.

I am testifying today because I don't believe that just anyone should be allowed to make and possess a firearm without a serial number. This bill would prohibit 3D printing of firearms and distributing design files to non-FFLs.

I encourage members of the committee to vote YES on HF 3407.

Thank you for considering this testimony and this important legislation.

Kelly Erickson

Moms Demand Action

Duluth, MN 55803

Testimony of Monica Ihrke for HF 3407

Volunteer with Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America

Minnesota House Public Safety Finance and Policy

Chair Moller, Chair Novotny and Committee Members,

My name is Monica Ihrke, and I am writing today to urge the committee to support HF 3407, a “Ghost Gun and 3D Printing” bill to prohibit un-serialized firearms and unfinished frames or receivers, create a process for serialization with a grace period, cap at three per year the number of firearms someone can manufacture without an FFL, prohibit 3D printing of firearms and distributing design files to non-FFLs, and create penalties up to five years in prison and or a \$10,000 fine. This bill includes exemptions for antiques, pre-1968 firearms, law enforcement, military, FFLs, and new residents.

I am a parent of two young, curious children and a small business owner in Duluth, MN. Last week, the nearby Hermantown police removed a ghost gun from an individual with outstanding warrants, illegally carrying a handgun, obstruction, and resisting arrest. This bill will close a loophole around accountability with guns and hold those with any 3D printed guns responsible for actions taken with said guns by requiring serial numbers for any gun made. As a mom and avid runner on Duluth’s streets, I’m really disheartened that ghost guns are present in our community.

I am testifying today because I don't believe that just anyone should be allowed to make and possess a firearm without a serial number. This bill would prohibit un-serialized 3D printing of firearms and distributing design files to non-FFLs.

I encourage members of the committee to vote YES on HF 3407.

Thank you for considering this testimony and this important legislation.

Monica Ihrke
Duluth, MN

Testimony of Elizabeth Wild for HF 3407

Minnesota House Public Safety Finance and Policy

Chair Moller, Chair Novotny and Committee Members,

My name is Elizabeth Wild and I am writing today to urge the committee to support HF 3407, a “Ghost Gun and 3D Printing” bill to prohibit unserialized firearms and unfinished frames or receivers.

As a mother and grandmother, I want to keep these untraceable weapons out of the hands of traffickers, violent criminals and other legally prohibited persons.

Please act to ensure that firearms are traceable and that licensed dealers must conduct background checks before their sale.

I encourage members of the committee to vote YES on HF 3407.

Thank you for considering this testimony and this important legislation.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Wild
Lifelong Minnesotan

Testimony of Kevin Erickson for HF 3407

Volunteer with Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense In America

Minnesota House Public Safety Finance and Policy

Chair Moller, Chair Novotny and Committee Members,

My name is Kevin Erickson and I am writing today to urge the committee to support HF 3407, a “Ghost Gun and 3D Printing” bill to prohibit unserialized firearms and unfinished frames or receivers, create a process for serialization with a grace period, cap at three per year the number of firearms someone can manufacture without an FFL, prohibit 3D printing of firearms and distributing design files to non-FFLs, and create penalties up to five years in prison and or a \$10,000 fine. This bill includes exemptions for antiques, pre-1968 firearms, law enforcement, military, FFLs, and new residents.

I am a parent and business owner in Duluth, MN. Recently, a ghost gun was recovered by police during an arrest in nearby Hermantown, MN. It is incredibly disturbing to me as a parent and business owner that ghost guns are present in our streets.

I am testifying today because I don't believe that just anyone should be allowed to make and possess a firearm without a serial number. This bill would prohibit 3D printing of firearms and distributing design files to non-FFLs.

I encourage members of the committee to vote YES on HF 3407.

Thank you for considering this testimony and this important legislation.

Kevin Erickson
Duluth, MN

Testimony of Leah Kondes for HF 3407

Volunteer with Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense In America

Minnesota House Public Safety Finance and Policy

Chair Moller, Chair Novotny and Committee Members,

My name is Leah Kondes, and I am writing today to urge the committee to support HF 3407, a “Ghost Gun and 3D Printing” bill to prohibit unserialized firearms and unfinished frames or receivers, create a process for serialization with a grace period, cap at three per year the number of firearms someone can manufacture without an FFL, prohibit 3D printing of firearms and distributing design files to non-FFLs, and create penalties up to five years in prison and or a \$10,000 fine. This bill includes exemptions for antiques, pre-1968 firearms, law enforcement, military, FFLs, and new residents.

I am the mother of three daughters. The oldest one was born in March of 1999, the month before semi-automatic weapons were used to kill thirteen people at Columbine High School in Colorado. My youngest daughter, just since I started volunteering with Moms Demand Action in 2019, has been at the mall for one of their shootings and the state fair for one of their shootings, and her campus was recently on lockdown due to the threat of gun violence.

I am testifying today because we the adults – the one that brought these children here – need to do something to protect kids against gun violence, the number one killer of children and teens in our country. I live less than two miles from Annunciation Church. What happened there easily could have happened at the church I attended for more than two decades, which is also less than two miles from Annunciation. While school shootings (or in this case a church shooting) are statistically rare, they are not rare enough. And these are not the first school shootings in Minnesota. There was a shooting in Red Lake in 2005 in which 10 people were killed with semi-automatic weapons. There was also a shooting at Rocori High School in 2003 in which two students were killed with a semi-automatic pistol.

My experience leads me to emphasize the rule of law today. This Ghost Gun and 3D Printing bill would close a law enforcement and public safety loophole that allows criminals to bypass existing gun laws. Ghost guns are hard to trace and are increasingly used in crimes.

I encourage members of the committee to vote YES on HF 3407.

Thank you for considering this testimony and this important legislation.

Testimony of MARGO SWANSON for HF 3407

Volunteer with Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense In America

Minnesota House Public Safety Finance and Policy

Chair Moller, Chair Novotny and Committee Members,

My name is MARGO SWANSON, and I urge the committee to support HF 3407, a “Ghost Gun and 3D Printing” bill to prohibit unserialized firearms and unfinished frames or receivers; a bill that creates a process for serialization with 1) a grace period, 2) a cap at three per year the number of firearms someone can manufacture without an Federal Firearms License, 3) prohibits 3D printing of firearms and distributing design files to non-FFLs, and 4) creates penalties up to five years in prison and/or a \$10,000 fine. This bill includes exemptions for antiques, pre-1968 firearms, law enforcement, military, Federal Firearms License holders, and new residents.

I am a retired childcare provider from Burnsville, & I fear for children in our neighborhood schools, families across our communities & throughout our state. Local citizens are keenly aware of deadly shootings across the metro; rare is any current data for crimes attributed to sellers, buyers, or would-be criminals, whose guns lack serial numbers.

- From 2022–2023, 631 ghost guns were traced in Minnesota, which comprised 6% of all crime guns recovered and submitted for tracing in the state. The issue of untraceable firearms has been reported as an increasing problem for law enforcement, according to a March 16, 2026, press release from the Minnesota Attorney General's Office.

My experience leads me to emphasize gun-printing owner/seller responsibility & accountability: 3D printers grow more affordable each year, making Do-It-Yourself weapons easier to produce at home or elsewhere. Public or private workspaces that create firearms with 3D printers should require weapons to bear a serial number.

- Prohibit unserialized firearms and unfinished frames or receivers.

Implementing this process is a comprehensive solution to a multifaceted problem. This process is the groundwork, for when eventually paired with a statewide firearms registry, will be at peak effectiveness.

Please vote YES on HF 3407. Thank you for considering this important legislation.

Testimony of Maria Wardoku for HF 3407

Volunteer with Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense In America

Minnesota House Public Safety Finance and Policy

Chair Moller, Chair Novotny and Committee Members,

My name is Maria Wardoku and I am writing today to urge the committee to support HF 3407, a “Ghost Gun and 3D Printing” bill to prohibit unserialized firearms and unfinished frames or receivers, create a process for serialization with a grace period, cap at three per year the number of firearms someone can manufacture without an FFL, prohibit 3D printing of firearms and distributing design files to non-FFLs, and create penalties up to five years in prison and or a \$10,000 fine. This bill includes exemptions for antiques, pre-1968 firearms, law enforcement, military, FFLs, and new residents.

I am a mother of two young children living and working in Minneapolis.

I am testifying today because gun violence has been an ever present risk throughout my own childhood, and now the childhood of my own children. I grew up in Colorado, not far from Columbine High School. I remember my elementary school locking down in 1999 during the mass shooting at the high school. From that day on, the fear of gun violence was present every time I went to school. This year, my child started kindergarten days after the Annunciation tragedy. What should have been a joyful milestone was marred by fear of gun violence.

My experience leads me to advocate for common sense gun laws today. This bill is common sense: It will prohibit unserialized firearms and unfinished frames or receivers, create a process for serialization with a grace period, and prohibit 3D printing of firearms and distributing design files to non-FFLs.

I encourage members of the committee to vote YES on HF 3407.

Thank you for considering this testimony and this important legislation.

Testimony of **Mary Mueller** for HF 3407

Volunteer with Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense In America

Minnesota House Public Safety Finance and Policy

Chair Moller, Chair Novotny and Committee Members,

My name is **Mary Mueller** and I am writing today to urge the committee to support HF 3407, a “Ghost Gun and 3D Printing” bill to prohibit unserialized firearms and unfinished frames or receivers, create a process for serialization with a grace period, cap at three per year the number of firearms someone can manufacture without an FFL, prohibit 3D printing of firearms and distributing design files to non-FFLs, and create penalties up to five years in prison and or a \$10,000 fine. This bill includes exemptions for antiques, pre-1968 firearms, law enforcement, military, FFLs, and new residents.

I am a retired nurse. I live in Blaine. MN, 55434

I am testifying today because:

- **I am a retired nurse. I have seen cases of people coming into the hospital due to gun violence. The most heartwrenching emotional cases are of children being injured because of accidental shootings when they pick up a gun in their home, owned by a family member. I have a friend who lost her son due to an argument between her two sons, and in a fit of anger one shot the other.**

My experience leads me to emphasize **the need for more gun control** today. *(Keep this to one or two sentences. Short and succinct to keep attention.)*

We need to protect the mentally ill and vulnerable citizens, especially children from gun violence.

I encourage members of the committee to vote YES on HF 3407.

Testimony of Sonja Buckmeier for HF 3407

Volunteer with Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense In America

Minnesota House Public Safety Finance and Policy

Chair Moller, Chair Novotny, and Committee Members,

My name is Sonja Buckmeier, and I am writing today to urge the committee to support HF 3407, a “Ghost Gun and 3D Printing” bill to prohibit unserialized firearms and unfinished frames or receivers, establish a process for serialization with a grace period, limit the number of firearms an individual can manufacture without a federal license, prohibit the 3D printing of firearms and distribution of design files to unlicensed individuals, and create meaningful penalties for violations.

I live in St. Michael and have been part of the community for more than 25 years. I am also a mother of four and a volunteer with Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America.

I am testifying today because I want our schools, neighborhoods, and public spaces to be places where families and children feel safe. The growing accessibility of ghost guns undermines that sense of safety. These untraceable firearms bypass background checks and accountability, making it harder for law enforcement to respond and prevent harm.

Our community saw how quickly dangerous situations can escalate during the 45-hour armed standoff in St. Michael in 2022, when a suspect fired repeatedly at law enforcement and threatened the surrounding neighborhood. When firearms are unregulated and untraceable, it increases the risk and complexity of these already volatile situations.

My experience as a parent and community member leads me to emphasize that accountability matters. Ensuring firearms are serialized and responsibly manufactured is a practical step to reduce risk and support safer communities.

I encourage members of the committee to vote YES on HF 3407.

Thank you for considering this testimony and this important legislation.

Testimony of Susan Wehrenberg for HF 3407

Minnesota House Public Safety Finance and Policy

Chair Moller, Chair Novotny and Committee Members,

My name is Susan Wehrenberg and I am writing today to urge the committee to support HF 3407, a “Ghost Gun and 3D Printing” bill to prohibit unserialized firearms and unfinished frames or receivers.

As a mother, grandmother and gun violence survivor, I want to keep these untraceable weapons out of the hands of traffickers, violent criminals and other legally prohibited persons.

Please act to ensure that firearms are traceable and that licensed dealers must conduct background checks before their sale.

I encourage members of the committee to vote YES on HF 3407.

Thank you for considering this testimony and this important legislation.

Sincerely,

Susan Wehrenberg
Lifelong Minnesotan

Testimony of Terry Campbell for HF 3407

Psychotherapist and Volunteer with Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense In America

Minnesota House Public Safety Finance and Policy

Chair Moller, Chair Novotny and Committee Members,

My name is Terry Campbell and I am writing today to urge the committee to support HF 3407, a “Ghost Gun and 3D Printing” bill to prohibit unserialized firearms and unfinished frames or receivers, create a process for serialization with a grace period, cap at three per year the number of firearms someone can manufacture without an FFL, prohibit 3D printing of firearms and distributing design files to non-FFLs, and create penalties up to five years in prison and or a \$10,000 fine. This bill includes exemptions for antiques, pre-1968 firearms, law enforcement, military, FFLs, and new residents.

I am a Minneapolis resident, mental health counselor, mother and grandmother, and I have been affected by gun violence more than once and in multiple ways. As a twenty two year-old bank teller, I was robbed at gunpoint in the downtown Minneapolis bank where I worked. I was lucky to escape physical injury, but suffered lingering symptoms of acute trauma. The 70 year-old bank guard was not as lucky. Shot in the head during the robbery, he survived but his physical injuries changed his life and long-awaited retirement forever.

The Annunciation attack also hit close to home. Having grown up six blocks from Annunciation, I had many friends who attended the school and church, later sending their own children and grandchildren there. My own grandchildren attend a very similar Catholic school in Maple Grove. In fact, their pastor had just transferred to Annunciation, and was on the altar during the shooting. It is terrifying to realize it could easily have been their church, their school, and my grandchildren that day!

Perhaps even more significantly, I have counseled many people (including Annunciation parents) who have considerable psychological damage resulting from firearm tragedies. Resulting symptoms can last a lifetime and change the trajectory of so many lives! It is unfathomable that we would not do EVERYTHING we can do to prevent this!

I am testifying because gun rights advocacy has gone way too far! Ghost guns are not needed in our society and can only continue to cause immense harm. Further, I will never believe the founders intended gun ownership to be the free- for- all that now exists! If we don't act, we are putting the selfish desires of gun proponents ahead of the most basic of human rights - namely, life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness for the majority!

I strongly encourage members of the committee to vote YES on HF 3407.

Thank you for considering this testimony and this important legislation.

Sincerely,
Terry Campbell, MA, LPCC