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Dear Governor Haley,

I write you today to OPPOSE the proposed "armor piercing" ammunition regulation as provided in the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (BATFE) notice document at http://www.atf.gov/sites/default/files/assets/Library/Notices/atf_framework_for_determining_whether_certain_projectiles_are_primarily_intended_for_sporting_purposes.pdf (the Proposed Regulation).

Specifically, I urge the BATFE to reject the Proposed Regulation and maintain the current exemption for M855/SS109 5.56x45mm ammunition.

The ammunition targeted by the Proposed Regulation is unquestionably one of the most popular sporting purpose ammunition types on the market. Moreover, the ammunition is commonly acquired, possessed, and used by millions of Americans for lawful purposes like self-defense, making the ammunition protected from an outright ban under the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution. (See, e.g., *District of Columbia v. Heller*, 128 S.Ct. 2783 (2008).)

BATFE must maintain the status quo and avoid infringing on the fundamental, individual rights of law-abiding people. In the alternative, the underlying categorical ban on many common ammunition cartridges will fail the legal challenge that is sure to come.

Again, I urge the BATFE to reject the Proposed Regulation and maintain the current exemption for M855/SS109 5.56x45mm ammunition.