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## Tennessee State Senate

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Mr. C. Richard Archie  
Tennessee Firearms Association  
3310 West End Avenue, Suite 460  
Nashville, TN 37203

Dear Mr. Archie,

I am writing to you regarding the recent unlawful referenda initiative placed on the ballot in Memphis attempting to pre-empt state law. This suit is the natural result of the Memphis City Council choosing to mislead the public and defraud Memphians into thinking the city had authority to implement gun control.

The fact the Tennessee Firearms Association, Gun Owners of America, and Gun Owners Foundation brought this lawsuit was as predictable as finding a mullet at a tractor pull. Unfortunately, the massive public opinion poll conducted by the Memphis City Council just got more expensive for Memphians.

I encourage our local elected officials to focus on aggressively prosecuting gun crimes already on the books rather than engaging in futile virtue signaling. While the city council continues to major in the minors, the serious leaders in Memphis are working with state officials to Make Memphis Matter by reducing crime and maximizing the record-breaking economic investments in Memphis and West Tennessee. Ultimately, through your efforts, the Memphis City Council will meet with the same level of success as an Amish electrician.

Please feel free to contact me if you require any additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "Brent Taylor".

Senator Brent Taylor  
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