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### RE: SB 915 Firearms: State Property- SUPPORT

Dear Senator Min,

On behalf of the Santa Barbara Women's Political Committee (SBWPC), I am writing to express support for SB 915 Firearms: State Property, which would prohibit the sale of firearms or ammunition on state property, effectively ending gun shows on public property across the state of California. State properties such as fairgrounds, which should be family-friendly venues, have instead become widely known for gun shows.

As one of the largest women's political committees in Santa Barbara County with approximately 300 members, SBWPC advocates for a diverse set of positions, which include strong opposition to Gun Violence. <https://sbwpc.org/positions/>

We support legislation that promotes community safety and are aware that under current law gun shows have brought dangerous incidents to our community, including such incidents as sales of firearms to individuals registered in the Department of Justice Bureau of Firearms Prohibited Persons System, illegal importation of large-capacity magazines, and more. Our nation continues to endure an alarming increase of gun violence including mass murders that have devastated communities. By prohibiting gun shows on state properties, SB 915 would help to restore these properties to more family-friendly venues. It would also curtail the use of taxpayer dollars to facilitate placing more guns on our streets.

The Santa Barbara Women's Political Committee regards SB 915 as an important step forward in prioritizing the well-being and safety of our communities by closing several gun-sales loopholes that exist today and contribute to the endangerment California's people. **Therefore, SBWPC wishes to sign on as a supporter of SB 915.**

Thank you for reviewing our organization's position on this issue. Should you wish to communicate further with us, please email us at [info@sbwpc.org](mailto:info@sbwpc.org) or visit our website: [www.sbwpc.org](http://www.sbwpc.org)

Sincerely,

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