

**OPPOSITION TO INFRINGEMENT UPON THE CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT
TO KEEP AND BEAR ARMS**

WHEREAS, both the Colorado Constitution, Article II Bill of Rights, Section 13, and the United States Constitution, Amendment II, protect the individual right to keep and bear arms; and

WHEREAS, both the Colorado Constitution, Article II Bill of Rights, Section 25, and the United States Constitution, Amendment XIV, protect the individual right to due process of law; and

WHEREAS, the Montezuma County Board of Commissioners, are elected to represent the people of Montezuma County and are duly sworn by their oath to uphold both the Constitutions of Colorado and the United States; and

WHEREAS, the people of Montezuma County, Colorado, assert these individual civil rights as their inalienable right to bear arms in defense of person, home, or property; and

WHEREAS, the people of Montezuma County derive economic benefit from lawful hunting, recreation, and shooting conducted within Montezuma County, Colorado, allowable under the Colorado and United States Constitutions; and

WHEREAS, this resolution is in the best interests of the health, safety, order, prosperity and welfare of the citizens of Montezuma County.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Montezuma County Board of Commissioners that:

1. Montezuma County, Colorado, opposes enactment of legislation that infringes upon the people's Constitutional rights to keep and bear arms, and considers such laws to be unconstitutional and beyond lawful legislative authority.
2. The Clerk and Recorder of Montezuma County should deliver this resolution to the Colorado General Assembly and to the Office of the Governor.
3. Montezuma County will protect individual civil rights and not violate the Constitutional rights of the people.

This resolution is hereby adopted and effective.

Date

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS,
MONTEZUMA COUNTY, COLORADO

County Clerk and Recorder
Montezuma County, Colorado

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