

December 21, 2012

Assemblymember Nancy Skinner, District 15 Attn: Tony Bui California State Capitol Sacramento, CA 95814

Via email: tony.bui@asm.ca.gov

RE: AB 48 (Skinner) — SUPPORT

Dear Assemblymember Skinner:

On behalf of Youth ALIVE!, a national leader in youth violence prevention and technical assistance provider for hospitals and communities seeking to reduce gun injuries, I write to express **support for Assembly Bill 48**. The mission of Youth ALIVE! is to build youth leadership and prevent youth violence in California communities. Gun violence, from the recent Sandy Hook tragedy to the more than 120 homicides in Oakland this year, is a stressor that our youth live with daily, and which AB48 will help to curb by focusing on ammunition.

AB 48 will require anyone selling ammunition to an individual in California to require proper identification, to be an authorized firearms dealer, and to report sales to the Department of Justice. Additionally, it will prohibit conversion kits, or "clip kits," which allow many rounds to be fired without reloading.

Tracking ammunition sales, as AB48 mandates, will help prevent people from amassing large quantities of ammunition unnoticed. It will also prevent individuals from circumventing existing bans on large-capacity magazine by assembling their own.

AB48 provides methods to strengthen and enforce existing laws; thank you for considering my support of AB48.

Signed,

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