

April 1, 2013

The Honorable Lori Hancock California State Senate State Capitol Sacramento, CA 95814 Fax: (916) 327-1997

RE: SB 396 (Hancock) Large Capacity Ammunition Magazines Ban — SUPPORT

Dear Senator Lori Hancock:

On behalf of Youth ALIVE!, a national leader in youth violence prevention and federal technical assistance provider for hospitals and communities seeking to reduce gun injuries, I write to express support for Senate Bill 396. Gun violence, from the recent Sandy Hook tragedy to the more than 120 homicides in Oakland last year, is a stressor that our youth live with daily, and which SB 396 will help to curb by focusing on ammunition.

SB 396 will prohibit the possession of "mega-magazines", that hold upwards of 100 rounds of ammunition. Earlier legislation prohibited the manufacture and sale of high capacity magazines but allowed current owners to keep theirs making enforcement difficult. SB 396 will make clear that possession is prohibited.

Senate Bill 396 will allow better enforcement of existing firearms laws and will help to make California safer. Thank you for considering my support of SB 396, Large Capacity Ammunition Magazine Ban.

Signed,

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