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Lakeway, TX – **Second Amendment Sisters Call for the Establishment of Safety Zones**

While all normal people agree that we must make our public places safe, there are two main factions in the country with diametrically opposed ideas of how to accomplish the mutual goal. Second Amendment Sisters proposes the simple solution of establishing what we term ‘Safety Zones.’

For over a decade we have had ‘gun-free zones’ surrounding schools. Firearms have been forbidden in government buildings and private businesses. Yet, we have had school shootings and bombings and similar attacks in post offices and stores. Armed robberies and murders have not disappeared.

There is a simple truth. Signs do not save lives or prevent harm. Laws cannot protect us. Laws are merely the rules that a society agrees upon. We have police because we understand that not everyone will follow those rules.

Honest, decent people obey laws. Criminals do not comply with the restraints of society. So, who observes the ‘gun-free zones’? Honest, decent gun owners do not bring their weapons to schools and malls and post offices with evil intent. Criminals do.

Honest, decent people are the first-line of defense for themselves and others around them. They are the people who are present when crimes begin to be committed. They do not have to be summoned and awaited. They are there.

So, let us make use of them. Let us make our public places ‘safety zones.’ Let us allow those staff, faculty, students and visitors who hold concealed carry permits to bring their handguns with them to schools and stores.

Concealed weapons are more advantageous than openly carried handguns. By definition no one can tell when someone is carrying a concealed weapon. This makes everyone safer by raising uncertainty about who is, or is not, armed.

We must stop making victims out of people who are capable and prepared to take care of themselves and others. Self-defense is a basic human right. We have a right to life; we have a right to protect that life; and we have a right to the means to do so.

*Second Amendment Sisters is a grassroots organization dedicated to preserving the individual basic human right to self-defense.*

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