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Against Topic

Comment

County Commissioners: My name is Ricky Bradshaw, and I reside at 17077 Cobb Island Rd. Cobb Island, Maryland 20625. I wanted to submit a comment for your viewing to oppose the new gun control measures proposed for our county. According to the National Firearms Survey, guns are used defensively in approximately 1.67 million incidents per year. These incidents vary: from home intrusions to carjackings, to attempted rapes and murders. This isn't a partisan, a racial, or a gender issue--because gun ownership is represented across all demographics here in the United States. This is a constitutional issue, and one that, in most cases, is the difference between life and death. 81.4 million Americans over the age of 18 own firearms. 31.1% have used their firearm to defend themselves. And about 26.3%, or 20.7 million gun owners, carry a handgun in public as a licensed concealed carrier. According to Maryland's Crime Dashboard, in 2020, in Charles County, there were 16 murders; 47 rapes; 381 aggravated assaults; and the list goes on. And according to the Charles County Sheriff's Department, as of 2021, there were only 292 sworn officers left to defend everyone--but 240,356 calls for service. I don't know about you all, but to me that ratio is not exactly comforting. A violent crime could occur anywhere, at any time; and we deserve the right to defend ourselves anywhere, at any time. To vote "yes" on this measure is to condone every preventable violent crime which would result from such a decision. As such, I'm asking you to vote against this new measure barring the carrying of firearms on or near county property. The Second Amendment of our Constitution guarantees that "the right of the

people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed." I do hope you keep that in mind while making your decision.
Thank you for your consideration.

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