February 20, 2013

RESOLUTION NO.

IN OPPOSITION TO PROPOSED LEGISLATION REQUIRING GUN OWNERS TO OBTAIN LIABILITY INSURANCE

Legislator offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, there is currently pending in the NYS Assembly Bill No. AD3908 which will require owners of firearms to obtain liability insurance in an amount not less than $1 million dollars; and

WHEREAS, said proposed legislation has been referred to the Assembly Legislative Committee on Insurance; and

WHEREAS, this proposed legislation constitutes nothing more than a back door attempt to prohibit legal gun ownership in this State; and

WHEREAS, such mandatory insurance coverage would accomplish nothing more than to burden responsible, law abiding taxpayers while doing nothing to prevent the perpetrators of criminal acts involving guns; and

WHEREAS, it is constitutionally impermissible to require citizens to obtain liability insurance to exercise their rights under the 2nd amendment; and

WHEREAS, the only predictable outcome of the passage of this law is an increase in profits to insurance companies;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the County of Greene hereby strongly opposes any attempt to mandate gun owners to buy liability insurance; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Greene County Legislature requests the members of the New York State Senate and Assembly who represent all, or part of, Greene County to reply, in writing, with their views on, and actions taken, in support of, or opposition to the proposed gun insurance bill; and be it further

RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent to Governor Andrew Cuomo; Senator Dean Skelos; Senator Cecilia Tkaczyk; Assembly Speaker Sheldon Silver; Assemblyman Peter Lopez; Assemblyman Steven McLaughlin; Assemblyman Felix Ortiz and the New York State Association of Counties.

Seconded by Legislator

Ayes Noes Absent CARRIED.

Approved by Public Safety Comm.: