

House Concurrent Resolution No. 11

93RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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2 **Whereas**, citizens have a right, protected by the Second Amendment to the United
3 States Constitution, to keep and bear arms; and

4 **Whereas**, lawsuits have been commenced against manufacturers, distributors,
5 dealers, and importers of firearms that operate as designed and intended, which seek money
6 damages and other relief for the harm caused by the misuse of firearms by third parties, including
7 criminals; and

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9 **Whereas**, the manufacture, importation, possession, sale, and use of firearms and
10 ammunition in the United States are heavily regulated by federal, state, and local laws, including
11 the Gun Control Act of 1968, the National Firearms Act, and the Arms Export Control Act; and
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13 **Whereas**, businesses in the United States that are engaged in interstate and foreign
14 commerce through the lawful design, manufacture, marketing, distribution, importation, or sale
15 to the public of firearms or ammunition that has been shipped or transported in interstate or
16 foreign commerce are not, and should not, be liable for the harm caused by those who criminally
17 or unlawfully misuse firearm products or ammunition products that function as designed and
18 intended; and

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20 **Whereas**, thirty-three states have passed legislation protecting firearms and
21 ammunition manufacturers, and legislation in Congress supporting this measure has broad
22 bipartisan support;

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24 **Now, therefore, be it resolved** that the members of the House of
25 Representatives of the Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, the Senate

26 concurring therein, hereby request our elected Representatives and Senators in the United States
27 Congress to end the abuse of tort laws against the firearms industry; and
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29 **Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of
30 Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for each
31 member of the Missouri Congressional Delegation.