

**RESOLUTION
IN SUPPORT OF THE
SECOND AMENDMENT**

WHEREAS, the Second Amendment of the United States Constitution reads: "A well-regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed," and

WHEREAS, Article 1, Section 13, of the Constitution of Virginia provides "that a well-regulated militia, composed of the body of the people, trained to arms, is the proper, natural, and safe defense of a free state; therefore, the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed and that in all cases the military should be under strict subordination to, and governed by, the civil power;" and

WHEREAS, certain legislation introduced in the 2019 session of the Virginia General Assembly, and certain legislation introduced in the current session of the United States Congress could have the effect of infringing on the rights of law-abiding citizens to keep and bear arms, as guaranteed by the Second Amendment of the United States Constitution; and

WHEREAS, the current Governor of Virginia has stated that he intends to endorse and pass into law legislation that we believe may be construed as unconstitutional as it pertains to the rights enumerated in the U.S. and Virginia Constitution; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Strasburg, Virginia is concerned about the passage of any bill containing language which could be interpreted as infringing on the rights of the citizens of the Town of Strasburg to keep and bear Arms or any restrictions on the Second Amendment rights of the citizens of the Town of Strasburg; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Strasburg wishes to express its deep commitment to the rights of all citizens of the Town of Strasburg to keep and bear Arms; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Strasburg wishes to express opposition to any law that would unconstitutionally restrict the rights under the Second Amendment of the citizens of the Town of Strasburg to bear arms; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Strasburg wish to express its intent to support Second Amendment rights and to oppose, within the limits of the Constitutions of the United States and the Commonwealth of Virginia, any efforts to unconstitutionally restrict such rights, and to use such legal means as its disposal to protect the right of the citizens to keep and bear arms.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF STRASBURG, VIRGINIA:

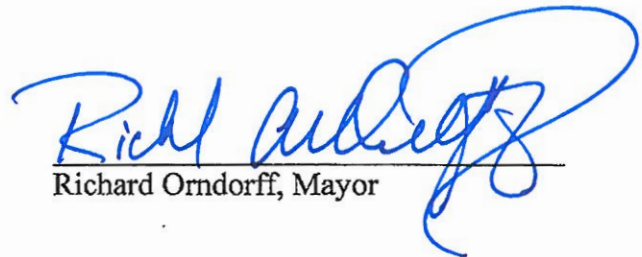
That the Town Council hereby expresses its intent to support the Second Amendment rights of the citizens of the Town of Strasburg, Virginia and its intent that public funds of the Town not be used to restrict Second Amendment rights or to aid in the unnecessary and unconstitutional restrictions of the rights under the Second Amendment of the citizens of the Town of Strasburg, Virginia, to bear arms; and

That the Town Council hereby declares its opposition to unconstitutional restrictions on the right to keep and bear arms.

That the Town Council hereby declares the Town of Strasburg, Virginia supports the "Second Amendment."

This Resolution was adopted by the Town Council of the Town of Strasburg this 10th day of December, 2019.


Clerk of Council


Richard Orndorff, Mayor