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Mr. Alan Korwin  
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Dear Alan:

I commend you on your dedication to National Training Week. I support the need to recognize and safely exercise our rights under the Second Amendment.

By encouraging Americans to go to shooting ranges during the week surrounding the Fourth of July to practice firearm safety, we honor the founding fathers of our nation who cherished our right to keep and bear arms. With any rights come responsibilities and National Training Week is crucial in drawing attention to both Second Amendment rights and responsibilities. National Training week will help ensure that the gun owners of this nation use firearms safely and with the respect they deserve.

I also applaud the cooperation and participation of so many ranges throughout the nation. Ranges that allow firearm practice and safety instruction for newcomers do a service they can be proud of. These ranges play a critical role in the safe expression of our Second Amendment rights.

Encouraging all Americans to take time from July 4<sup>th</sup> to July 11<sup>th</sup> to go to a range with family and friends for practice and safety instruction is a worthwhile effort. A nation of competent and safe gun owners is a nation that honors and respects its time-tested tradition of the right to keep and bear arms.

Again, thank you Mr. Korwin for leading the effort to make this a celebrated and ongoing tradition.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Shadegg".

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