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U.S. Senate Candidate Daniel Lewis Calls for a Repeal of all Federal Gun Laws

Nashville, Tennessee, July 28, 2008 – Daniel Lewis, the Libertarian Party of Tennessee's candidate for United States Senate calls for a repeal of all Federal Gun Laws.

Tragically we live in a world where events such as Sunday's (July 27, 2008) shooting at a Knoxville church do occur. Now is a time to reach out with compassion to the victims of this tragedy, their families and their community. Even more tragically opponents of gun rights always react to these events in the same way by calling for more gun laws. Federal gun laws are about 90 thousand words long (or 350 pages). One of these laws, the Gun Control Act of 1968 is very similar in wording to the 1938 Nazi Gun Control law. All tyrannies enact gun laws to leave the people defenseless against oppression and genocide. The American revolution started when the British tried to take the colonists guns.

Gun statistics generally continue to follow the same trends. Crime is higher in areas where governments create strict gun bans and lower where gun ownership is unrestricted. This is just a logical conclusion criminals are more likely to try to commit a crime where they know they run a lower risk of facing an armed victim. After Washington D.C. passed a gun ban in 1976, its homicide rate rose 200%. Guns are used more often in defense against a crime than they are to be used in the commission of a crime. Tragedies such as the shooting in Knoxville could be prevented with less restrictive gun laws. Statistics tell us it is very likely the outcome would have been less tragic, and perhaps the criminal who committed this act of violence, would not even have considered committing this crime, if he would have been walking into a group of people that he knew might be armed. Only about 7% of carrier criminals obtain guns from a licensed gun shop. Only about 1% of crimes committed with handguns were committed by persons who legally had a right to even have the gun on them at the time. In conclusion it is time to repeal all Federal Gun laws. The right of the people to keep and bear arms **shall not be infringed**.

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