The Importance of Gun Rights for the Protection of our Nation

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"You cannot invade the United States. There would be a Rifle behind every blade of grass" This quote is often misattributed to Amiral Yamamoto of the Imperial Japanese Navy. It is unclear where this idea has come from however, there is plenty of truth in these words. Citizens armed with weapons can be and are an effective deterrent from those who harm. The threat could be a foreign force or our state. From the ragtag Militias that Rebelled against the British Empire in the battle of Lexington and Concord over the confiscation of cannons

"Any unarmed people are Slaves or subject to Slavery at any given moment." This quote is from Huey P Newton one of the founders of the black panthers. This quote floats around and heavily supports the argument for gun control. And while a violent racist will think twice if he sees his target concealed carrying this quote has a root in history. The Christian Armenian Population in the ottoman empire began to feel oppression in the early 1900s when an Estimated 1.5 million Armenians were disarmed and deported. Many died of starvation and dehydration in the long marches, Others in labor camps, and some in mass killings. (USHMM) The same can be argued with the masses who fell victim to the engineered famine that ravaged them during the communist reign of the soviet union in which they had their means of revolt taken away. (UOM) Or the 300 Lakota Tribe members killed in the wounded knee massacre by U.S. Calvary. (LOC.gov) The wounded knee massacre shows clearly what the government can do to unarmed people. The Waco Siege happened in 1993 and was a standoff between a Religious cult and the Bureau of Alcohol Tobacco and Firearms where civilians (mostly Children) burned to death due to the failure of the government to act accordingly. (DOJ.gov)

On July 17th, 2022 Jhonothan Saipirman Exited the food court bathroom of the Greenwood Park Mall and armed with two rifles opened fire on the food court. 15 seconds after the 1st shots were fired Elisjsha Dickens Pulled out his handgun and fired 10 shots from 40 yards away with 8 of those projectiles successfully hitting and killing the shooter. (BBC) In an event where someone intends to do harm to you or others, it is always better to be armed yourself. The many cases of people defending their homes from dangerous criminals to ethnic Rebels using 3D-printed Machine Guns to fight oppression in Myanmar. Or Korean immigrants taking up arms to protect their shops from looters in the 1992 LA Riots. (NBC)

In a priority 1 crime scenario such as a burglary or an attack on your home, the average police response time in the city of Denver is 13 minutes and 54 seconds (<u>DenverGov.org</u>) Can a threat find you or your daughters or sons in 13 minutes? What will you do when the enemy lands in your backyard? What will happen to your family if you allow the government to fail a hostage negotiation? What if you could take it into your own hands?

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