

Dear House and Senate Judiciary Committee Members:

We write this letter to you requesting immediate action regarding the recent mass shooting plot at Fair Haven Union High School. We are parents of two teenage boys in the district, one currently enrolled at FHUHS and one to be there in 2019. We also have a family member who is a coach whose team was greatly impacted on February 14, 2018.

As you are well aware, since the first threat occurred, our community has been uncomfortable and on high alert. Since the release of Jack Sawyer on April 27, 2018, our community's comfort has deteriorated. We as parents, and community members of Fair Haven insist that immediate action be taken during this legislative session to ensure that threats of domestic terrorism of any kind, not only schools, are punishable to the highest degree of the law. For this to happen, changes to laws need to be made to protect our schools, businesses, and community gathering places. Changes to the laws must include threats, which need to be taken as seriously as the actual criminal action.

Vermont, and the Fair Haven community, have an opportunity before them to greatly affect the court's ability to protect our children, schools, and communities throughout the state, and throughout the nation. This is not about politics, this is about right and wrong.

Respectfully,

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