The shootings in Lewiston was an outright tragedy that might have been prevented by the proper application of existing law, had those in positions of responsibility been able to act accordingly. Robert Card was a trained marksman and during his heinous act the only thing I can think of that might have changed the outcome is if anyone in that crowd had been exercising his or her right of Constitutional carry and shot back. What good will more laws do if the ones we have aren't enforced?

Creating a waiting period will have no measurable effect. People will do what they want to do and an extra three days will not deter a determined killer.

The primary issue in my mind is our permissive society where extreme violence is so readily available on video games, in the movies, and elsewhere. Perhaps it's time to consider establishing laws and guidelines to diminish that impact.

My understanding is that guns used in mass shootings have been legally purchased or taken from parents and not from the private sale so called loophole. Sales in this category are vastly fewer than those passing through dealers with background checks. Prove to me otherwise.

Finally, the Constitution was written by men, same as we, who recognized the tyranny that can arise from an omnipotent central power; and while what has happened in the last 100 years in countries like Germany, Russia, China, Venezuela and others may sound to you like something that could never happen in the USA, consider how contentious our political opinions and society have become over the last 20 years. As well as the entrenchment of the radical socialist/globalist left, determined to change the face of our country and try to convince me that a government takeover within the next 50 years is out of the question.

" The only thing that stops a bad guy with a gun is a good guy with a gun" Wayne La Pierre

Preserve our Constitution – preserve our 2<sup>nd</sup> amendment right.

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