## ELECT DOMINIC HAMMON A RURAL DEMOCRAT

Thanks for your interest in supporting me for the 1st Congressional District opening. I hope you and your organization support the entire 2nd Amendment like I do. Especially the first 4 words "A well regulated militia." If in a time of a national emergency we would answer the call of our country. Me and your entire organization are the militia and would answer directly to the President of the United States of America the Commander in Chief. Unlike the NRA that doesn't recognize this portion of the 2nd Amendment. To let you know I'm a concealed handgun license holder of Oregon, also a member of the Blue Steel Caucus of the Democratic Party of Oregon. I believe in using all of my rights afforded me by the constitution.

I hope you and your organization are more than one issue voters. There are other important issues that need to be addressed like jobs, taxation, a balanced budget and immigration. Now to the questions you have submitted.

- 1) First none of the supervisors were promoted. Next it was a stupid idea to think the firearms would be able to be tracked, but this is the point of stopping unregulated firearm sales that lead to smuggling firearms to drug dealers and cartels. The expansion of any government agency should be well defined and paid for through tax collection. Unlike George Bush who expanded the U.S. Government by 1/3<sup>rd</sup> by hiring 850,000 people for Homeland Security, 150,000 contractors for the Iraq and Afghanistan wars, 100,000 people for the TSA and all the supporting material they needed like computers, office space, desk, phones, cars and never paid for these increases. Bush also never paid for the wars in Iraq or Afghanistan by collecting taxes he just borrowed the money and passed the bill on to the next generation. When I hear Republicans say the government spends to much this is what I know they are spending our money on, unpaid bills from the Bush Presidency. To leave any government agency unmonitored is absurd. Look what was happening at the Department of Interior under Bush where the people in charge were snorting cocaine and having sex with the corporate lobbyist they were suppose to be regulating. To have the budget reduced or abolished is non-sense since criminals would increase more illegal alcohol, tobacco and firearm sales creating more problems for the average law abiding American.
- 2) I would vote against any extension or expansion of the Patriot Act. The Patriot Act has revoked our 4th and 5th Amendment Rights and it has increased our federal taxes. Bush's Patriot Act makes every American pay four times for their phone, email, fax and text messaging services. You have to pay for the initial service, pay for the collection of your messages, you pay for the storage and finally you pay a government employee to go through your messages. The Patriot Act took away your 4th Amendment right to be secure in your home and eliminated your 5th Amendment right to not incriminate your self. When you can't make a secure phone call from your home then the Patriot Act should be unconstitutional.
- 3) Yes I would support the end of unregulated firearm sales. I'm in favor of of all firearm sales being registered. Unlike the NRA that doesn't support responsible firearm sales and ownership. When a firearm is sold at a gun show to a criminal or a person that sells that firearm to a criminal is irresponsible. When that firearm is used in a crime and kills or wounds someone

there is no one to take responsibility for that crime. When the person that sells a firearm to a criminal and it is tracked to them all the seller has to do is say it was stolen. That is irresponsible firearm ownership and needs to end. There are only two new firearm laws I'm in favor of, the first is if a firearm is given to a family member it doesn't need to be re-registered. The second is for firearm quality testing. A firearm should never jam or misfire when needed.

- 4) I agree with the U.S. Supreme Court on the right to keep and bare arms, but also the Federal Government has the right to regulate firearms. I do not think there should be a law limiting the number of firearms an individual can own.
- 5) No I don't support the U.S. Government being involved in other country's regulation of firearm sales. But I do understand why foreign countries want this law, they are not as liberal as America. Their conservative governments want to stay in power by limiting firearm access and other freedoms we Americans enjoy.
- 6) When people say the Government is filled with waste fraud and abuse this fight over semiautomatic firearm laws is a prime example. It is a "Waste" of government dollars to pay
  employees to re-hash a firearm law because a manufacture will just change one part to make the
  firearm different. It is "Fraud" to say these firearms are serious hunting weapons or needed for
  home protection. A hunting rifle needs to be highly accurate unlike the inaccuracy of assault
  rifles. For home protection most people know that a shotgun is the most effective weapon to
  defend one's home. It is an "Abuse" of our legal system to constantly fight over firearms. The
  Federal Government has the right to regulate and if a majority of elected officials want to set a
  standard on firearms then our legal system should not be "Abused" by lobbyist who don't have
  the average American as their first priority.
- 7) I would support legislation on limiting large capacity ammunition feeding devices that are not standard coming from the factory. The reason why I support this is if you can't hit what you're aiming at with the number of bullets in the original clip most likely you are not going to hit the target with more bullets. All it does is increase an innocent bystander's percentage of being hit with a stray bullet and killing them.
- 8) I would honestly have to say I don't know. I would have to investigate the laws and see how they are being enforced or interpreted before I could make a decision.

I will be having town halls and would appreciate your participation. I will notify you so you can let your organization know the date and time and bring up any other issue you feel is important to our country. Please make my answers available to everyone in your organization. Also please post on your website so others can make an informed decision.

Thanks for being involved in America,

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