## RESOLUTION NO. R-025- 029

# THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF DOUGLAS, COLORADO

#### A RESOLUTION OPPOSING COLORADO SENATE BILL 2025-03

- *WHEREAS*, on March 28, 2025, the Colorado General Assembly passed Colorado Senate Bill 2025-03 (SB 25-03), which prohibits the manufacture, distribution, transfer, sale, and purchase of nearly all semiautomatic firearms in Colorado. SB 25-03 is currently awaiting Governor Polis' signature.
- WHEREAS, SB 25-03 violates United States citizens and Colorado residents' Second Amendment Rights, "the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed."
- **WHEREAS**, SB 25-03 violates United States citizens and Colorado residents' Fifth and Fourteenth Amendment Rights, by depriving gun owners the right to sell and transfer their property.
- **WHEREAS,** SB 25-03 unfairly and without cause targets an industry of American firearm manufactures and a community of lawful Colorado gunowners and enthusiasts with burdensome regulations and costs.
- **WHEREAS**, while Colorado government faces a \$1.3 billion budget deficit, SB 25-03 requires Colorado taxpayers incur millions in reoccurring costs for administrative and enforcement expenses.
- WHEREAS, SB 25-03 requires Colorado law enforcement, including the Douglas County Sheriff's Office to become administrative agencies of the bill verifying state records, performing background checks, and fingerprinting lawful gunowners. SB 25-03 provides no additional staff or funds to state law enforcement agencies to perform these administrative tasks, instead Colorado sheriffs' departments are required to reduce other functions to compensate for the additional work, including direct active law enforcement.
- **WHEREAS**, SB 25-03 fails in its purpose. While lawful gun owners will be burdened with unnecessary costs, training, and processes; criminals and those who seek to own firearms illegally will continue to break the law, including those laws created by SB 25-03.

### NOW, THEREFORE BE RESOLVED,

The Douglas County Board of County Commissioners oppose SB 25-03 as unconstitutional, unlawful, unnecessarily burdensome, and dangerous to Colorado and urge Governor Polis to uphold the Constitution and veto SB 25-03.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 8th day of April, 2025, in Castle Rock, Colorado.

## THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF DOUGLAS, COLORADO

BY:

Abe Laydon, Chair

Signed by:

**ATTEST:** 

Hayley Hall, Clerk to the Board