

Begich Strongly Opposed to Gun Control

In a statement released Monday through his Fairbanks headquarters, Nick Begich, Democratic candidate for U.S. Congress, stated, "I am strongly opposed to gun control legislation of any kind."

"In a new and growing state such as Alaska with vast areas of wilderness and remote areas, the gun is an important tool of everyday living. Many Alaskans living in rural areas and native villages feed their families with game brought down by their guns. Guns help provide bounty money and protect cabins and camps from wild animals.

"I have traveled extensively in remote areas and villages of Alaska and believe that gun legislation would be a hardship on our native peoples, as well as a practical impossibility to enforce.

"It is interesting to note, that the two states where the Kennedy assassinations took place, Texas and California, both have state gun control legislation. We must find more basic underlying solutions to hate and violence than gun controls.

"If elected to Congress as your representative I will oppose federal gun legislation and registration."

GUN CONTROL



The violence and crime which rips our country apart are rooted in the bowels of our nation's morality. Gun control is not the solution to our problems—and particularly not here in Alaska.

For Alaskans, control of our firearms is control of a segment of Alaskans' independent nature. Yet the Democratic Presidential candidate believes there are even more "ways" to effectively control the right to have arms. It is, therefore, necessary to oppose vigorously any candidate sharing that position.

Elmer Rasmuson believes in Alaska's heritage and the traditions that make our state great. He believes that the federal government's role in this vital issue should be one limited to cooperation with those states desiring control of guns. He does not believe the federal government should attempt to impose regulation on those states, including Alaska, who do not desire such controls.

Make your vote count for something—vote for Elmer Rasmuson for United States Senator.

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