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## MIKE BOST STATE REPRESENTATIVE — 1 15TH DISTRICT REPUBLICAN CAUCUS CHAIR

June 5, 2013

The Honorable Pat Quinn Governor of Illinois 207 State House Springfield, IL 62706

Dear Governor Quinn,

In December 2012, the U.S. Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals reaffirmed our Second Amendment rights by throwing out the State of Illinois' concealed carry ban. As requested by the Court of Appeals, the Illinois General Assembly approved bi-partisan legislation outlined in HB 183 to allow law-abiding citizens the right to conceal and carry a firearm.

HB 183 establishes statewide uniform standards to allow law-abiding citizens the right to conceal and carry a firearm. The concealed carry legislation approved by the legislature has been through numerous negotiations this year and in previous General Assemblies.

Allowing law-abiding citizens to exercise their Second Amendment right to bear arms by permitting the right to conceal and carry a firearm is long overdue. If enacted, HB 183 will make Illinois the 50<sup>th</sup> state in the nation to place some form of concealed carry law on the books.

I co-sponsored HB 183 because I support our Second Amendment. I respectfully request you to review and then sign House Bill 183 promptly.

Sincerely,

Mike Bost

State Representative

115<sup>th</sup> District