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VIA NYSECF

Honorable Joel M. Cohen Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of New York State Commercial Division, New York County 60 Centre Street New York, NY 10007

Re: People of the State of New York, by Letitia James, Attorney General of the State of New York v. The National Rifle Association of America, Inc. et al., Index No. 451625/2020

Dear Justice Cohen:

I write regarding the appearance currently scheduled for June 7, 2022 before Your Honor, which appears to have been set in error.

On or about May 3, 2022, the parties in the above-referenced action received notice that the Court had scheduled Motion Sequence No. 25 for oral argument on June 7, 2022. Motion Sequence No. 25 relates to the motion to quash a subpoena issued to non-party Everytown for Gun Safety by Defendant National Rifle Association of America ("NRA") and the NRA's crossmotion to compel subpoena compliance. (NYSCEF 565-575, 589, 594-605, 608).

Motion Sequence No. 25 has been referred to the discovery Special Master, the Hon. O. Peter Sherwood. Judge Sherwood has issued the attached order pertaining to Motion Sequence No. 25. Accordingly, we wanted to bring to the Court's attention that it appears that there is no need for argument on June 7, 2022, although we are prepared to appear on that date if necessary.

Respectfully,

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cc: All Counsel of Record Counsel for Everytown for Gun Safety FILED: NEW YORK COUNTY CLERK 05/11/2022 06:50 PM

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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF NEW YORK

PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, BY LETITIA JAMES, ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,

Index N. 451625/2020 Hon. Joel M. Cohen

Plaintiff,

v.

THE NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA, WAYNE LAPIERRE, WILSON PHILLIPS, JOHN FRAZER, and JOSHUA POWELL,

Defendants.

Non-party Everytown for Gun Safety Action Fund, Inc. ("Everytown"), self-described as "the largest gun violence prevention organization in the country" (Br. at 3), moves to quash a subpoena served on it by Defendant National Rifle Association and for a protective order foreclosing the NRA requested discovery (see id). It appears, the only relevant matters in the litigation arguably addressed in the subpoena relate to the NRA's counterclaims but discovery related thereto has been stayed pending the Supreme Court's ruling on the People's motion to dismiss the counterclaim.

Accordingly, the Special Master will take no action with respect to the subpoena until after the court renders a decision and lifts the stay. Thereafter, any party or Everytown may advise the Special Master of the decision and request consideration of the motion.

Dated: New York, New York March 25, 2022

Hon. O. Peter Sherwood (ret)