IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

DANE HARREL, an individual and resident of St. : Clair County, Illinois; :

C4 GUN STORE, LLC, an Illinois limited liability company;

MARENGO GUNS, INC., an Illinois corporation;

ILLINOIS STATE RIFLE ASSOCIATION;

FIREARMS POLICY COALITION, INC.; and

SECOND AMENDMENT FOUNDATION, *Plaintiffs*,

v.

KWAME RAOUL, in his official capacity as Attorney General of Illinois;

BRENDAN F. KELLY, in his official capacity as Director of the Illinois State Police;

JAMES GOMRIC, in his official capacity as State's : Attorney of St. Clair County, Illinois; :

JEREMY WALKER, in his official capacity as State's Attorney of Randolph County, Illinois;

PATRICK D. KENNEALLY, in his official capacity as State's Attorney of McHenry County, Illinois;

RICHARD WATSON, in his official capacity as Sheriff of St. Clair County, Illinois;

JARROD PETERS, in his official capacity as Sheriff of Randolph County, Illinois;

ROBB TADELMAN, in his official capacity as Sheriff of McHenry County, Illinois; *Defendants*.

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DECLARATION OF BRANDON COMBS

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- I, Brandon Combs, am competent to state, and declare and certify the following based on the best of my personal knowledge and belief:
 - 1. I am the Founder and President of the Firearms Policy Coalition ("FPC").
- 2. FPC is a 501(c)(4) non-profit membership organization incorporated under the laws of Delaware with its principal place of business in Clark County, Nevada. The purposes of FPC include defending and promoting the People's rights—especially the fundamental, individual right to keep and bear arms—advancing individual liberty, and restoring freedom. FPC serves its members and the public through legislative and regulatory advocacy, grassroots advocacy, litigation and legal efforts, research, education, outreach, and other programs. FPC's members reside both within and outside Illinois.
- 3. FPC has individual members and supporters who are Illinois residents and are adversely impacted by Illinois's Firearm Ban as defined in 720 ILCS 5/24-1.9 and Magazine Ban as defined in 720 ILCS 5/24-1.10. These include Dane Harrel, the individual Plaintiff in this case, Christopher Brooks, the owner and Member/Manager of C4 Gun Store, LLC, and Dominic DeBock, the owner and President of Marengo Guns, Inc. FPC brings this action to vindicate the rights of its members.
- 4. But for the criminal enactments cited in the pending Complaint, FPC members who wish to purchase and possess banned firearms and magazines either banned outright under the Illinois law, or which have their usage severely restricted and subject to registration, would purchase and possess such firearms and magazines for their own defense, but they refrain from doing so due to fear of arrest, prosecution, fine and incarceration.
 - 5. Additionally, because the Bans have destroyed the legal market for such

magazines and firearms in Illinois, the affected FPC members cannot exercise their Second and Fourteenth Amendment rights by purchasing and using these commonly possessed firearms and magazines.

Brandon Combs

FURTHER DECLARANT SAYETH NAUGHT.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed this 24th day of January, 2023.