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Fort Bend County Judge KP George Spearheads Sensible Gun Safety Talks with County Law Enforcement

(FORT BEND, TX) — Fort Bend County Judge KP George is spearheading a crucial initiative to promote sensible gun safety within the county. Recognizing the significance of balanced dialogue, Judge George, on Wednesday, June 29, organized a discussion with Fort Bend County District Attorney Brian Middleton, Fort Bend County Sheriff Eric Fagan, Former Fort Bend County Pct. 3 Constable Wayne Thompson, Mom's Demand Action Texas Leslie Morrison, Texas Gun Club owner Jason Short, and community members of all ages.

This was the first in what is intended to be a series of discussions to bring together both proponents and opponents of gun control, to foster an environment of open dialogue and constructive exchange.

"We must encourage open and constructive discussions among all stakeholders. This includes gun owners, proponents and opponents of gun control, law enforcement officials, mental health professionals, and lawmakers," stated Judge George. "By bringing together diverse perspectives, we can find common ground and possibly come up with some initiatives that can be considered in legislative language that promotes safety while respecting individual rights."

With gun-related incidents on the rise across the nation, Judge George felt it was vital for local communities to address this pressing issue proactively while maintaining that promoting sensible gun safety measures is not about infringing upon the Second Amendment rights of citizens but

rather about finding common ground and implementing effective strategies to ensure public safety.

District Attorney Brian Middleton and Sheriff Eric Fagan both expressed their support for the discussion and the importance of collaborating to address the complex issue of gun safety.

Fort Bend County Sheriff Eric Fagan shared information on the number of conversion devices that are transforming semiautomatic weapons into machine guns, capable of firing 20 rounds per second. This is a serious concern for law enforcement agencies and undoubtedly a menace to the public.

"Conversions are made for death, you don't hunt to shoot 30 rounds into a deer. There is no reason for this type of weapon" stated Sheriff Fagan. "We need to work with our fellow agencies, bringing them into our offices to check the types of weapons we are confiscating. ATF went into a property room and found 2,600 guns that were machine guns that had the conversions."

Fort Bend County remains dedicated to fostering a safe and inclusive community where the rights and safety of its residents are of utmost importance. Judge KP George's leadership in initiating these talks demonstrates his commitment to proactive governance and finding practical solutions to the challenges facing the county.

