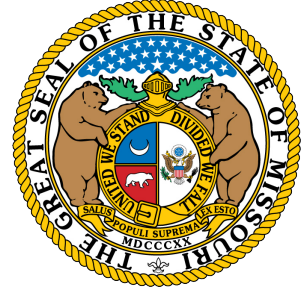


# Get the Facts:

## Governor Parson's Stance on the Second Amendment



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“I have never wavered in my support of the Second Amendment. I firmly believe in **protecting Missourians’ second amendment rights** and will continue working with federal, state, local, and community partners to **protect the citizens of our state**. Over the past months, we have **rolled up our sleeves, gotten to work, and** identified the **immediate actions** we can take at the state level to keep Missouri citizens safe, while still **protecting their second amendment rights.**”

– Missouri Governor Mike Parson

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### What are Governor Parson's beliefs on the Second Amendment?

During his 22 years in law enforcement and as a lifetime member of the NRA, Governor Parson has **NEVER wavered** in his support for the Second Amendment and has **proven his commitment** to protect the Constitution. Governor Parson is a firm believer in **protecting law abiding Missouri citizens’ access to Second Amendment rights**.

### What is Governor Parson's record on the Second Amendment?

Through his six years in the Army and as a veteran, Governor Parson has displayed his continual intention to **stand for the Constitution and the Second Amendment**. During his time as a Missouri Legislator, Governor Parson played an essential **role in creating and passing the Castle Doctrine**, legislation created to protect families and properties within the State of Missouri.

### What are the issues Governor Parson is working on with mayors?

Throughout 2019, Governor Parson met with mayors from Missouri's four largest metro areas to discuss **immediate, short-term solutions to combat violent crime** across the state. The three main areas of focus were witness protection, mental health and substance abuse treatment, and keeping guns out of the hands of violent criminals. Governor Parson has **NOT supported restricting** law abiding citizens' right to bear arms.

Following the meetings, 25 state personnel were assigned to support federal task forces and assist other local operations in St. Louis to ensure we are doing everything we can at the state level to keep Missourians safe.

### Who would be impacted by these potential changes?

Violent criminals who prey on innocent victims, children, and young adults, and who push drugs and fear into communities are the focus of these efforts. They are the problem, NOT law abiding citizens. Governor Parson believes in the importance of **protecting our citizens, communities, laws, and Constitution**. He is also **committed to helping provide law enforcement** with the means necessary to keep constituents safe. He will NOT use the second amendment as a qualification for violent criminals to carry or possess arms.