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NRA Honors Senator Donna Campbell with Award

SD25 Senator Recognized for Championing Second Amendment Rights

AUSTIN-- State Senator Donna Campbell was honored with an appreciation lunch sponsored by the National Rifle Association for her strong record of defending Second Amendment rights in the Texas Legislature. The appreciation lunch occurred halfway through a CHL class Tuesday in which the senator was qualifying for her concealed-handgun license.

"Second Amendment rights are the bedrock of our liberty. I am pleased to receive this honor from the NRA, an organization that has always ensured Texans have a right to legally defend ourselves and our families," Senator Campbell stated. "I will continue to work hard to protect the rights of law-abiding citizens to keep and bear arms."

Senator Campbell authored a number of Second Amendment bills, including SB 864, which streamlines the minimum number of hours to obtain a concealed-carry license while preserving the instructional materials, written exam, and range proficiency requirements. By making the course more efficient, the hope is more law-abiding Texans will have access to earn their CHL. Senator Campbell said it afforded her the opportunity to finally obtain her license, something she'd looked forward to since the bill passed.

Tara Mica, representing the NRA's Institute for Legislative Action, presented Senator Campbell with an award in recognition of her outstanding legislative achievements to protect and advance the rights of current and future Texas Concealed Handgun Licensees during her inaugural session.

Representatives from NRA's official state affiliate, the Texas State Rifle Association, were also in attendance. "We are appreciative of Senator Campbell for championing the rights of gun owners and passing meaningful Second Amendment legislation. We've been working for years to get the CHL bill through, and Senator Campbell led the charge in her first session," said Alice Tripp, TSRA's Legislative Director. "Texas citizens are fortunate to have her in the state senate."

Senator Campbell also authored legislation to allow more law-abiding Texans to carry firearms in so-called gun free zones, including college campuses. A similar measure passed the House, but it came up short in the Senate. Campbell was named one of the Top Five Courageous Conservatives for her overall work in the 83rd Legislature.

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Senator Campbell is an emergency room physician representing Senate District 25. She lives with her husband and the youngest of their four daughters in New Braunfels.