September 9, 2014

The Honorable Mike Rounds Rounds for Senate P.O. Box 250 Pierre, SD 57501

Dear Governor Rounds:

On behalf of our five million members across the country, the National Rifle Association Political Victory Fund (NRA-PVF) is proud to endorse your candidacy for the U.S. Senate in South Dakota. As Governor of South Dakota, you signed and shepherded numerous pro-gun and pro-hunting bills that are now law. Your steadfast commitment to preserve our hunting heritage and enhance our hunting opportunities demonstrates your commitment to your State's hunters and America's 15 million hunters.

Based on your support of and commitment to the Second Amendment, you have earned an "A" rating from NRA-PVF in the November 4, 2014, election. An "A" rating is reserved for a solidly pro-gun legislator who has supported NRA positions on key votes.

Throughout your career, you have consistently opposed all attempts to ban lawfully owned firearms and magazines, and will stand strong against President Obama and former New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg's gun control agenda. You oppose the Obama-Bloomberg so-called "universal" background check system that would criminalize the private transfer of a firearm between life-long friends and many family members.

In addition, you oppose anti-gun nominees for the U.S. Supreme Court, such as Sonia Sotomayor and Elena Kagan. You also oppose any treaty by the United Nations or any other global organization that would impose restrictions on American gun owners.

Finally, you support concealed carry reciprocity, which would enable law-abiding Americans to carry a concealed firearm in any other state that does not prohibit concealed carry.

Congratulations on your "A" rating and endorsement, and thank you for your steadfast support of the Second Amendment. Good luck with your campaign, and we look forward to our continued relationship.

Sincerely,

Chris W. Cox Chairman, NRA-Political Victory Fund