

Letter sent to the following School Superintendents opposing resolution on arming teachers –

Dr. Douglas Domeracki West Chicago Community High School SD 94

David Larson Glenbard SD 87

Dr. Jeff Shuler Wheaton Warrenville SD 200

On behalf of the League of Women Voters of Wheaton and Illinois, I strongly urge you and the School Board to instruct your delegate to the Illinois Association of School Boards Conference in November to vote “NO” on the resolution to provide firearms and training to teachers and staff.

The League instead supports violence prevention efforts that address preventing guns from getting into schools and restricting the sale and possession of assault weapons, rather than relying on teachers or other education professionals to prevail in a shootout. The American Federation of Teachers and the National Education Association have consistently rejected calls to arm teachers.

The attached fact sheet is the response by Illinois League of Women Voters to the Student Safety and Protection Resolution. I ask that you share the fact sheet with your school board. Please feel free to contact me regarding questions or concerns that you may have.

The Wheaton League of Women Voters serves the communities of Carol Stream, Warrenville, West Chicago, Wheaton and Winfield.

Thank you for your consideration.

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