



CITIZENS CRIME COMMISSION  
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**FORMER PRESIDENT OF BRADY CAMPAIGN  
JOINS MCCARTHY TO RENEW  
BAN ON LARGE CAPACITY MAGAZINES**

*Dismisses naysayers, calls legislation common sense and achievable*

WASHINGTON-Today Richard Aborn, former President of the Brady Campaign (1993-1996) and President of the Citizens Crime Commission of New York City, joined Congresswoman Carolyn McCarthy and gun control advocates in Washington, D.C. to unveil legislation to renew the ban on large capacity magazines which sunset in 2004. Had the ban still been in place it would not have been possible for the Tucson shooter, Jared Loughner, to legally purchase the large magazine he used to murder six and wound 13 other people.

"Restricting an average citizen's ability to load more than 10 bullets is common sense. Congress needs to learn the obvious lesson from this horrible tragedy and renew the ban on large capacity magazines now. Gun control has never been an easy fight, but we've prevailed before despite overwhelming opposition, and there is no reason to think we can't now with sustained and relentless pressure."

As the former President of the Brady Campaign, Aborn is credited as the principle strategist behind the improbable and successful passage of the Brady Bill, the Federal Ban on Assault Weapons, and the ban on large capacity magazines.

The Citizens Crime Commission of New York City is an independent nonprofit organization working to make criminal justice and public safety policies and practices more effective through innovation, research, and education. In the last two decades, the Crime Commission has been a leader on key issues such as: expanding the use of DNA evidence in crime fighting, improving the juvenile justice system, creating alternatives to incarceration, developing interventions against gun violence, and highlighting the changing nature of the threat of terrorism.

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