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Dear Editor,

As a subscriber to *Name of Paper*, I am urging San Franciscans to oppose Proposition H. The San Francisco handgun ban that will appear on the November 8 ballot. Proposition H is as misguided as it is dangerous for law-abiding citizens in San Francisco.

As has been the case with Washington, D.C., and other cities where lawful handgun ownership has been banned, residents are not made safer. The reason is simple - honest citizens obey laws, criminals do not. It makes no sense to pass a handgun ban under the guise of reducing crime.

Look at Washington, D.C. For nearly 30 years District residents have been effectively prohibited from legally owning handguns to defend themselves and their families. Not only has the ban not made the District any safer, it has contributed to our nation's capital earning the infamous distinction of the nation's murder capital.

We need not speculate what would happen in San Francisco if Proposition H passes. Criminals will continue to obtain handguns illegally and be free to prey on law-abiding citizens who have been denied their choice to own a handgun for self-defense.

Readers of *Name of Paper* must vote **NO** on Proposition H on November 8.

Sincerely,

Your Name