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Commissioner Bob Paulson  
Royal Canadian Mounted Police  
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Dear Commissioner Paulson,

I am writing you today with deep concern over news that an errant ruling by the Canadian Firearms Program has made the Ruger 10/22 magazine prohibited.

I have heard from many constituents who are concerned that this bureaucratic decision to change the classification of the Ruger 10/22 magazine, without a public bulletin, will now make many law-abiding firearms owners unknowingly considered criminals.

I am also deeply concerned that this ruling goes against Part 4, Prohibited Devices, Section 3 (2) of the Criminal Code's Regulations Prescribing Certain Firearms and Other Weapons, Components and Parts of Weapons, Accessories, Cartridge Magazines, Ammunition and Projectiles as Prohibited, Restricted or Non-Restricted, which states:

*(2) Paragraph (1)(a) does not include any cartridge magazine that  
(a) was originally designed or manufactured for use in a firearm that  
(i) is chambered for, or designed to use, rimfire cartridges*

The magazines in question are clearly designed for the Ruger 10/22 rifle, and are therefore exempt from this restriction.

I urge you to reverse this unfortunate decision which has done nothing to promote public safety, and has only created fear and uncertainty within the law-abiding firearms community.

Thank you in advance for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Bob Zimmer  
Member of Parliament  
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c.c. Honourable Ralph Goodale, Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness

