

(*Hartford*) – Today **Congressman John B. Larson** released the following statement on the recent advertisement by the National Rifle Association:

"The National Rifle Association has reached a new low, and should take down this ad immediately. I think most NRA members, like most Americans, would agree that using the President's children as the topic in an ad attacking our administration is abhorrent. The NRA should be ashamed of themselves for continually promoting a culture of fear, where people are assured the only way to be safe is to arm themselves.

"Today the President underscored the concerns of our nation's youth, and stressed the importance of honoring the children and families affected by the tragedy in Newtown. There is no room for classless acts like this in our discussion on violence prevention, and as Democrats we understand that now is the time to find common sense ways to make our communities safer."

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