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## Baldwin and Mobile County Democratic Parties Condemn “Constitutional Carry” as Unnecessary and Dangerous

### Joint Statement from Baldwin and Mobile County Democratic Parties

The Baldwin and Mobile County Democratic Parties both strongly condemn the “Constitutional Carry” bill, HB-6, which is nothing but an uncontrolled concealed carry proposal for firearms with a misleading marketing pitch. The bill will be introduced in the Alabama House on January 11 during the start of this coming legislative session.

This is not a second amendment issue. Like other permitting issues (driver’s licenses, building permits, zoning laws, road construction, seat belt wearing, etc.), requiring a permit is designed to protect the public and allow guns in the hands of responsible citizens – not in the hands of those identified as potential dangers to the public. If enacted, this bill will become a community safety issue and a perilous step that is out of touch with law enforcement challenges. Our county Democrats are united on this point.

Our Democratic parties in both counties agree with Mobile County Sheriff Sam Cochran that concealed carry permits are sensible *and* constitutional tools that help ensure the safety of the general public and those policing agencies assigned with protecting citizens. Creating additional uncertainty or danger is not what we need at a time when our communities are already on edge from existing violence.

“The bill is unnecessary and hazardous to law enforcement,” stated Jason Fisher, Chair of the Baldwin County Democrats. “With the recent tragedies we have seen in our respective counties involving our peace officers, it is inexcusable that we place their lives in jeopardy for a misguided attempt to make a fringe political statement in an election year.”

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