



GUN OWNERS CAUCUS

2022 Election Legislative Candidate Survey

Candidate Name:

ERIK MORTENSEN

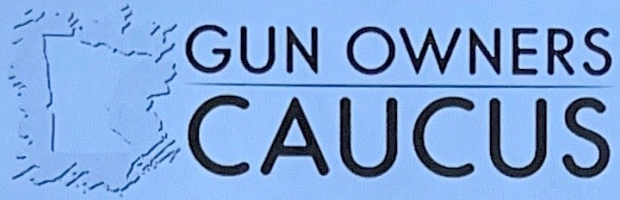
Election District:

HD 54A

1. Do you believe that the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution protects an individual right to possess, carry, and use firearms?
☒ Yes
☐ No

2. The Minnesota Constitution does not contain an amendment creating an individual right to keep and bear arms. If elected, would you vote for such an amendment?
☒ I would sponsor/co-sponsor such an amendment
☐ I would vote for this amendment
☐ I would not vote for this amendment

3. Do you support allowing law-abiding gun owners to carry a firearm for self-defense in Minnesota without government fees or permits? This is sometimes called "constitutional carry" or "permitless carry".
☒ I would sponsor ☐ Yes ☐ No



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4. Minnesota currently has strong privacy protections for law-abiding gun owners. Do you support maintaining and strengthening these privacy protections?

☒ I would sponsor ☐ Yes ☐ No

5. Do you support reforming self-defense laws in Minnesota to provide more protections for law-abiding citizens acting in self-defense, such as removing the requirement to retreat in public prior to using deadly force?

☒ I would sponsor ☐ Yes ☐ No

6. Would you vote for legislation to ban the possession, sales, and/or transfer of "assault weapons" in Minnesota?

☐ I would sponsor/co-sponsor such a bill

☐ I would vote for this bill

☒ I would not vote for this bill

If yes, how would you define an "assault weapon"?


7. Would you vote for legislation to limit the capacity of ammunition magazines in Minnesota?

☐ I would sponsor/co-sponsor such a bill

☐ I would vote for this bill

☒ I would not vote for this bill

If you do support magazine capacity restrictions, how many rounds would you allow to be in a magazine? _____



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8. Do you support requiring private transfers and sales of firearms, including gifts, loans, and inheritances, to go through the federal background check system? This is known as "universal background checks".

_____ Yes

☒ No

9. Do you support mandatory registration of firearms?

_____ Yes

☒ No

10. Do you support mandatory licensing of gun owners in order to own a firearm?

_____ Yes

☒ No

11. Do you support requiring gun owners to have personal liability insurance in order to own a firearm?

_____ Yes

☒ No

12. Do you support a waiting period for firearm purchases?

_____ Yes


☒ No

If you do support a waiting period, how many days should it be: _____

13. Do you believe the age to purchase a long gun from a dealer should be raised to 21 from the current age of 18? (Note: handguns are already set at age 21)

_____ Yes

☒ No



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14. Do you support legislation known as "Gun Violence Restraining Orders" or "Red Flag Restraining Orders" that would allow a judge to order the seizure of firearms from someone through a court process where the accused is not present?

☐ Yes

☒ No

15. Do you support the banning of home manufacture of firearms for personal use (This is currently legal in state and federal law)?

☐ Yes

☒ No

16. Regardless of which party was in control, no pro-gun legislation has advanced through either chamber of the legislature since 2015. Why do you believe that is?

Most Republicans are cowards and are more concerned w/ their next election than they are about protecting the 2nd Amendment.

17. Do you wish to be considered for endorsement by the Minnesota Gun Owners PAC?


☒ Yes

☐ No

18. If endorsed, do you pledge and commit to work with the Minnesota Gun Owners Caucus & PAC on firearms policy & legislation in future legislative sessions?

☒ Yes

☐ No



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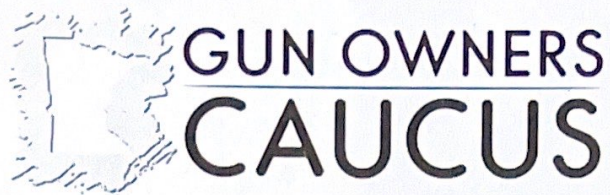
19. Are there any other firearm laws that you believe should be repealed, strengthened, or newly enacted? If so, please explain briefly below. You may attach other pages if needed.

SAPA - I sponsored it last year.

20. If you have any prior record as a candidate, office holder, activist, or lobbyist on Second Amendment issues – please describe briefly below along with any votes, statements, or positions that you have taken on this issue previously that you wish to explain or provide additional context. Use additional pages if necessary.

If you have published policy positions on your website or literature, it would be helpful to include a link, reference or copy of those as well.

*I've authored legislation including Stand Your Ground,
Constitutional Carry & SAPA bills.*



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Candidate Confirmation:

By signing below, I certify that these responses represent my opinion and position(s) as a candidate for office in this election.

Candidate Name: ERIK MORTENSEN

Election District: HD 54A

Party: Republican

Signature: Erik Mortensen

Date Signed: JUNE 3rd 2022