

Ott's History of Siding with Abusers and Felons

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NRA-Endorsed Republican Jeopardizes Public Safety

MADISON -- The National Rifle Association (NRA) recently announced their endorsements for Wisconsin Republican candidates including Jim Ott (R-Mequon) who received an “A” grade. The endorsement highlights Ott’s loyalty to the NRA and his obstruction to common sense gun safety laws like expanding background checks and enacting Extreme Risk Protection legislation.

“Wisconsin families, students, and communities deserve better representation than Jim Ott who is beholden to the interests of the NRA,” said DPW spokeswoman, Kate Constalie. “It is repulsive that Jim Ott and his Republican colleagues protected a loophole that allows domestic abusers and felons to purchase firearms. There have already been too many tragedies as a result of gun violence and Wisconsin needs elected leaders that will stand against gun lobbyists to ensure that every Wisconsinite can feel safe from the threat of deadly weapons and dangerous individuals.”

Additionally, a [Marquette Law Poll](#) found 80 percent of Wisconsinites – including the vast majority of gun owners – support strengthening background checks. That same poll also found that 81 percent of Wisconsinites support Extreme Risk Protection Order legislation that would reduce an individual’s access to firearms if they pose a danger to themselves or others.