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Statement from the National Independent Venue Association on The Bipartisan Safer Communities Act; the Introduction of Legislation for the Federal Bipartisan Gun Safety Deal

We join Everytown for Gun Safety, Moms Demand Action, and Sandy Hook Promise in applauding U.S. Senators Chris Murphy (D-Conn.), John Cornyn (R-Texas), Kyrsten Sinema (D-Ariz.), and Thom Tillis (R-N.C.) for coming to agreement on bipartisan, common sense legislation to reduce the threat of gun violence and offer NIVA's support for the legislation and urge Congress to pass it swiftly.

ABOUT NIVA

Formed at the onset of the COVID-19 shutdown, National Independent Venue Association (NIVA), represents independent music and comedy venues, promoters, and festivals across the country. NIVA created and led the #SaveOurStages campaign, resulting in landmark legislation establishing the \$16 billion "Shuttered Venue Operators" Grant. NIVA's mission is to preserve and nurture the ecosystem of independent live venues, promoters and festivals throughout the United States.

The National Independent Venue Foundation (NIVF) was founded to further this mission by also seeking to support a transparent, competitive marketplace serving a diverse and inclusive community of artists, fans, and industry workers.