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**NORTH CAROLINA MOMS DEMAND ACTION FOR GUN SENSE IN AMERICA
CHAPTER TO ASK STAPLES TO PROHIBIT GUNS IN STORES**

Moms to Visit Wake Forest Store Where Gun Was Discharged Last Year

(Wake Forest, N.C.) Feb. 25, 2014 – North Carolina members of Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America will visit the Wake Forest Staples store on February 26 at 10:30 a.m. to ask Staples to prohibit patrons from carrying firearms in the store. The visit is part of an ongoing national campaign pressuring Staples to enact a nationwide policy to prohibit firearms in its stores.

February 26, 2014 at 10:30 a.m.

Wake Forest Staples Store: 11845 Retail Drive Wake Forest, NC 27587

The Wake Forest store was the site of a 2013 incident in which a shopper with a concealed carry permit was shot in the hand with her own gun. The woman's two-year-old son reached into the purse where she was carrying the gun and the gun went off. No charges were filed in the incident.

"It is sheer luck that no one other than the gun owner was injured," said Sarah Sydney, Morrisville ambassador for Moms Demand Action North Carolina. "What about next time? There's an inherent and unnecessary risk in Staples' current policy – it's time for Staples to put the safety of its customers first and keep guns out of its stores."

Moms Demand Action has previously succeeded in convincing national brands to shun firearms in their establishments for the sake of public safety. In September, Starbucks CEO Howard Shultz announced that guns are not welcome in the company's stores and cafes.

"Moms make the majority of purchasing decisions for their families," said Sydney. "We intend to support businesses who take measures to keep our children and families safe."

About Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America

Much like Mothers Against Drunk Driving was created to change laws regarding drunk driving, Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America was created to build support for common-sense gun reforms. The nonpartisan grassroots movement of American mothers is demanding new and stronger solutions to lax gun laws and loopholes that jeopardize the safety of our children and families. In just one year, the organization has more than 140,000 members with a chapter in every state in the country. The group recently joined forces with [Mayors Against Illegal Guns](#), the largest gun violence prevention organization in the country. For more information or to get involved visit www.momsdemandaction.org. Follow us on Facebook www.facebook.com/MomsDemandAction or on Twitter [@MomsDemand](#)

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