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## **KSRA CALLS FOR IMMEDIATE DISMISSAL OF KU PROFESSOR DAVID GUTH**

(Bonner Springs, KS) – It has come to our attention via an article in the Campus Reform that KU Journalism Professor David Guth turned to Twitter on Monday to suggest he would like to see the murder of children of National Rifle Association (NRA) members at the hands of a deranged gunman.

The article reports that KU Associate Professor David Guth was questioned about the tweet and is quoted as saying ““Hell no, hell no, I do not regret that Tweet, I don't take it back one bit.” He echoed the same egregious sentiments on his personal blog called Snapping Turtle.

Kansas State Rifle Association President, Patricia Stoneking said, “The KSRA will do everything possible to see to the removal of this man. He should be fired immediately. His statements are outrageous!” She went on to say, “Is this who you want teaching your children? I certainly do not want him teaching mine!”

President Stoneking continued to say, “Any person with such a vile and contemptuous attitude who has influence over our children as a professor does, should be immediately fired.”

The Kansas State Rifle Association is outraged by this. President Stoneking said, “I expect that the Kansas Board of Regents, who I believe to be reasonable people, would act on this immediately.”

The KSRA believes in the First Amendment right to free speech but holds grave concern about what he may be teaching his students and that this type of rhetoric could influence a mentally unstable individual and become a catalyst to cause someone to champion Professor Guth's cause. President Stoneking said, “its one thing to engage in thoughtful dialogue and speak against something but it is quite another to incite violence.” She continued by saying, “This professor has obviously forgotten that it is human beings that commit crimes. Guns are inanimate objects and only human intervention causes them to be used in a criminal manner.”