

**STATEMENT re: GOVERNOR PRITZKER'S STATE OF THE STATE ADDRESS**

*Attributable to Kathleen Sances, president and CEO of GVPAC*

In his State of the State address today, Governor Pritzker outlined how to build a stronger Illinois. In order to prosper, Illinois has to be safe. I encourage Governor Pritzker to prioritize the safety of our communities by supporting SB 1966, the BIO Bill, during the 2020 legislative session. This meaningful legislation will require background checks for all gun sales; reduce length of time a FOID card is valid before re-applying; and require FOID card applicants to submit fingerprints as part of their application process. This important Bill passed the House last year and I urge the Senate to support its passage.

**ILLINOIS GUN VIOLENCE PREVENTION PAC (G-PAC)**

The Illinois Gun Violence Prevention PAC (G-PAC) is a non-partisan political action committee that was founded to counter the political influence of the gun industry and their lobby in Springfield, Illinois. G-PAC raises the resources necessary to protect and elect public officials who step up to fight the gun violence epidemic, and work against those who don't support keeping our communities safe.

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