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Florida NRA-ILA Lobbyist Marion Hammer to Retire After 44 Years

FAIRFAX, Va. - After more than four decades of extraordinary service to the National Rifle Association of America, the Second Amendment, and gun owners nationwide, Marion Hammer is stepping down from her position as a state lobbyist for the NRA-Institute for Legislative Action (ILA) in Florida. She will continue to serve as an advisor to the NRA, assisting with Second Amendment advocacy in the Sunshine State and beyond.

“Marion Hammer’s name has become synonymous with the Second Amendment and with the NRA. She is a dynamic and legendary advocate who has led the way with many laws that started in Florida and then served as a blueprint across the country. For more than 40 years, I have been in the trenches with Marion for landmark fights, including Right-to-Carry, Castle Doctrine and other life-saving, pro-hunting and pro-Second Amendment laws. I am grateful that Marion will stay on as an advisor to the Association – so our members can continue to benefit from her expertise and defense of their freedoms,” said Wayne LaPierre, executive vice president and CEO of the NRA.

“It has been an honor to serve NRA members as state lobbyist in Florida. Above all, it’s been my privilege to serve and to fight alongside great warriors for our cause like Wayne, without whom many of our nation’s self-defense laws would not have been possible. When I was first hired in September 1978, I was given one mission – ‘Do what you need to do, but do not let Florida become another California.’ For 44 years, I am proud to say that I faithfully delivered on that assignment with the help of our great NRA members,” said Marion Hammer.

With Marion Hammer at the helm, Florida became the launching pad for many pro-gun and pro self-defense legislative initiatives over the years. She rose through the NRA’s leadership ranks and served as the first woman President of the National Rifle Association from 1996-1998. She often said that her proudest achievement was the launch of the Eddie Eagle Gun Safe program that was launched during her presidency of the NRA. To date, this program has reached more than 32 million children across America. A resident of Florida, she has been recognized by many national and Florida organizations as a “power player” in politics and constitutional freedom for decades.

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