Shooting prompts Nev. politician to drop NRA membership

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Democrat John Oceguera, a former speaker of the Nevada assembly who's running for Congress, resigned his lifetime NRA membership because of what he said was the group's opposition to "any legislation that would help keep guns out of the hands of terrorists."

"I am law-abiding gun owner, and have been a Life Member of the National Rifle Association," Oceguera wrote in letter to NRA CEO Wayne LaPierre on Thursday, posted on Oceguera's campaign website. "I grew up in a family of hunters. But more importantly, I'm a father and a husband. I believe that keeping our families safe is our most fundamental priority."

Oceguera's NRA resignation followed last week's mass shooting in San Bernardino that police said was carried out by a husband and wife using legally purchased assault-style rifles and semi-automatic pistols.

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