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Senate vote saved lives

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This responds to Beckie Abbott's letter, "Gun violence kills people."

People kill people. The fault lies with the person using the inanimate object, such as a bottle of an alcoholic beverage, an automobile, a gun or even a bathtub.

The reason why most Americans support gun rights is that they know the only hope of safety they, their children, and their neighbors have is a good person with adequate firepower when a determined and evil person with a gun resorts to violence.

According to the Cato Institute, the civilian use of firearms saves the lives of 100,000 Americans each year. We can only be thankful for the many lives probably saved by the April 17 Senate vote on gun control.

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