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To: San Antonio Express-News

Your front page article Waiting To Confront by Guillermo Contreras details the awful massacre at Robb Elementary School in Uvalde. The agonizing wait for help- the children's phone calls, the discovery of live children entangled with dead children, and EMT's slipping on the bloodied floor-is all gut wrenching.

And how did this happen? Close reading clearly shows the good guys and gals were outgunned. The easy access to firepower that blows enormous holes in little bodies is the problem. The fact that our country and our state continue to ignore this problem is obscene.

When the leadership of Texas says you cant do anything about deranged people (because it is never the guns fault...), I say puro pedo (to quote Representative Tony Gonzales. Here is the solution: ban the sale of assault weapons, bump stocks and hollow point bullets immediately. This is not taking guns from people. For responsible gun owners nothing will change.

What does it take to stop this insane interpretation of the Second Amendment written in 1791? The bullet was not invented until 1826.

To those who cannot grasp the carnage, Gregg Popovich asks "do we have to show that classroom?"

Maybe that is what is needed-an Emmitt Till moment for modern America living under the guns of domestic terrorism. By choice. Shame on us. Shame on our "Christian" nation. Our leaders-both political and religious/spiritual are complicit in the carnage by not insisting on what most Americans want: responsible gun laws.

And until that happens nothing will change. The violence perpetrated by the champions of the unfettered gun access will continue to destroy families, public places, churches, theaters. It is sickening to continue to watch the misery.

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