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SECOND AMENDMENT SISTERS Inc. is a women's advocacy group dedicated to preserving the basic human right to self-defense, as recognized by the Second Amendment. SAS was founded in 1999 by five women who got together on the internet. **Deb Altrath** of New Jersey, **Juli Bednarzyk** of Illinois, **Dianne Sawyer** of South Carolina, **Marinelle Thompson** of Texas, and **Kim Watson** of Florida discovered they had something in common - that they didn't want the anti-rights Million Mom March to speak for them.

For five months these women, along with a small but dedicated group of volunteers, planned a rally of their own, using the internet to pull all the pieces together. None of them had ever planned such an event before, but the combination of their personal skills and the "must-do" attitude of their supporters enabled them to make a powerful statement on May 12, 2000 - that there were women to whom the Second Amendment meant something, and to whom "gun control" was a false promise.