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When Pizza Ate Men.

Pizza Hut..... where your life is as cheap as one of their \$5.00 pizzas

An Editorial from the President

Life can be cheap. How cheap? Just ask Pizza Hut Driver James William Spiers of Des Moines. Lured to a location to deliver a pizza, he found himself being robbed by a 19 year old punk who held a gun against his head.

Fortunately, the good guys won this battle. Spiers turned the table on the assailant and drew his own gun. In the ensuing gun battle, the punk was allowed to keep three of Spiers' bullets and Spiers got to keep the thief's gun. Thank God for the Second Amendment. Thank God for the right to self defense.

Unfortunately his employer, Pizza Hut, took a dim view of Spiers defending his life with a gun and promptly sent him home with no indication that Spiers would continue to be employed. Their justification? According to Pizza Hut's corporate offices in Dallas, employees are not allowed to carry guns "because we believe that that is the safest for everybody."

It didn't matter to Pizza Hut that their employee's life was in danger. It didn't matter that Spiers was legally authorized to carry his gun. It didn't matter that Spiers was risking his life so that Pizza Hut Management could line their pockets with money. No, what was most important for the Pizza Hut corporation was that they wash their hands of any liability that might occur should the punk decide to hire an attorney and bring a law suit. I can just see management in the corporate boardroom discussing the event while practicing their putting within the secure corporate palaces of Dallas Texas.

This isn't about safety. It's about cowardice.

I wonder how many of Pizza Hut's corporate big wigs have ever had to deliver pizzas to bad neighbor-hoods? And I wonder how many of Pizza Hut's corporate management have ever been on the receiving end of an armed robbery? And I wonder how many of Pizza Hut's senior employees would put their lives on the line for the benefit of someone else's stock options?

Is it surprising that the same company that promotes cardboard with some red goo on it as a \$5.00 pizza, would also promote the idea that their employee's lives are also only worth that \$ 5.00 pizza? I don't think so. Think about it; If their products are cheap, would you really expect them to place a higher value on anything else? And if they care so little about the lives of their employees, do you really think they care about the health of the people consuming the cheap ingredients in their cheap "pizzas"? What we have here is a perfect example of a corporate culture that makes getting a dollar more important than the lives of a human being, including the lives of their employees and customers. And I would hate to think at what price Pizza Hut would sell out our Second Amendment freedoms.

In the 16th Century, the Agricultural Revolution in England and Scotland was known as the time "when sheep ate men". Thousands were forced off their land and left to starve so that more profitable sheep could be raised. I submit that what happened in 2008 in Texas should be described as a time "when pizza ate men".

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