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National Coalition of Black Veteran Organizations to commemorate 101st Anniversary of Brig. Gen. Charles Young's interment in Arlington National Cemetery

Charles Blatcher III, president and founder of the National Coalition of Black Veteran Organizations, announced plans to honor Brigadier General Charles Young's 101st Anniversary of his interment in Arlington National Cemetery on June 1, 2024 at 3:00 p.m. Young was interred in Arlington National Cemetery on June 1, 1923. Despite his exemplary military record, Young was denied promotion to Brigadier General because he was African American. In a full-scale campaign over decades led by Blatcher and the National Coalition of Black Veterans Organizations then-Col. Young was posthumously promoted to Brigadier General Young.



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Brig. Gen. Young is shown here in uniform. To view footage of initial ceremony to dedicate The Brigadier General Charles Young Memorial Historical Corridor, hit this red interior link to connect on YouTube.

"This year, we are planning something different," Blatcher released in a statement. "The Coalition is planning a podcast to commemorate the date. The event, sponsored by the Washington, DC Veterans N Transition Program, will be devoted to a discussion on Black Military

History. The event will be in commemoration of now Brigadier General Charles Young's 101th Anniversary of his interment on the grounds. Discussions regarding his history, the Memorial Corridor and statue project will be among the topics of discussion. We will circulate the official announcement in the coming weeks. However, we invite you in advance to save the date. We have an excellent Panel of Historians/Advocates who will share in the discussion. Their names will be released in the official announcement. In the meantime, we would like to share with you a documentary we assisted ComTel Productions in making 27 years ago. This is a one of a kind for the Department of the Army. We are proud in the honesty of the interviews. All of the interviewees have passed on to Glory, but their stories live-on."

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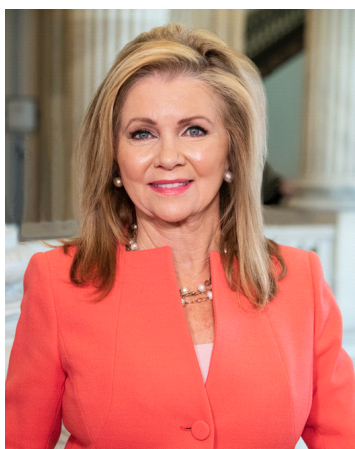
-For the Record-

County Crime Commission reports murder rate up 50%; Sens. Blackburn and Hagerty criticize Memphis' soft crime bail policies

Blackburn, Hagerty Reinroduce Restoring Law and Order Act during National Police Week

WASHINGTON, D.C. May 15, 2024 – During National Police Week, U.S. Senators Marsha Blackburn (R-Tenn.) and Bill Hagerty (R-Tenn.) introduced the Restoring Law and Order Act to increase resources for law enforcement and help reduce violent crime. This legislation was first introduced in 2022.

Last week, the Shelby County Crime Commission in Memphis reported that the murder rate increased by 50% in 2023 compared with 2022. Crime rates across the board were also up last year. "Far too often, we're seeing violent crimes committed by repeat offenders who end up back on the streets because of soft-on-crime bail policies. At the same time, law enforcement departments across the country are understaffed and ill-equipped to better target violent crime. Unfortunately, the far-Left has made it one of their recent crusades to destroy the credibility of our brave law enforcement while



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pushing campaigns to defund the police and eliminate cash bail. This National Police Week, I stand proudly with our men and women in blue and believe that we must fund – not defund – our police. This legislation will provide much-needed resources for our law enforcement officers to hunt down violent criminals, restore law and order, and keep Tennesseans safe," said Senator Blackburn. "The American people have had enough of the violent crime wave sweeping our nation," said



U.S. Sen. Bill Hagerty

Senator Hagerty. "Unfortunately, Democrats in Congress have focused their efforts on snooping on hard-working Americans through the IRS instead of addressing violent crime. Our legislation would repurpose the wasteful, intrusive spending on thousands of new IRS agents and instead use it to address the rise in homicides, carjackings, robberies, and other violent crime unfolding in communities across the U.S. I'm pleased to join Senator Blackburn in reintroducing this legislation during National

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Police Week to help address this urgent need."

THE RESTORING LAW AND ORDER ACT:

1. Authorizes a grant program to provide state and local government funds to:
 - Hire and retain more law en-

- forcement officers;
 - Combat interstate child trafficking;
 - Prioritize tougher sentences for repeat offenders;
 - Use public safety tools like bail and pretrial detention to prevent dangerous offenders from returning to communities;
 - Acquire resources to more effectively target drug and fentanyl crimes;
 - Detain and deport illegal aliens who have committed criminal offenses in the United States;
 - Eliminate investigatory backlogs and more quickly process criminal evidence; and
 - Target, combat, and prosecute carjackings;
2. Directs GAO to conduct a study on the deficiencies of rape kit test processing and the availability of tests;
 3. Rescinds unobligated balances from the Inflation Reduction Act to be appropriated to the Attorney General to provide these grant funds to states and localities;
 4. Redirects any funds used by the Attorney General for carrying out DEI initiatives to go towards funding our law enforcement.

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