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City Council names street in honor of Memphis Shelby Crime Commission president Bill Gibbons

A Message from the DA Steve Mulroy: Gang member sentenced to 50 years

MEMPHIS, TN - The Memphis City Council has named part of a street in honor of Bill Gibbons for his longstanding contributions to public service in Memphis.

The unveiling ceremony took place Wednesday, May 13, on South Bellevue Boulevard between Eastmoreland Avenue and Peabody Avenue in Memphis in front of Central High School.

In 2025, the Memphis City Council passed a resolution honorarily renaming a portion of South Bellevue Boulevard in recognition of Gibbons' decades of service to the community.

Gibbons currently serves as president of the Memphis Shelby Crime Commission, as well as executive director of the Public Safety Institute at the University of Memphis .

MEMPHIS GANG MEMBERS SENTENCED TO 50 YEARS EACH FOR MURDERING A FELLOW GANG MEMBER

MEMPHIS, May 21, 2026 - The U.S. Attorney's Office announced that two high ranking members of the Unknown Vice Lords, a violent Memphis street gang, were sentenced to 50 years in federal prison for a gang related murder committed in retaliation for the death of their leader. The defendants were convicted of murder in aid of racketeering after a jury trial. Federal prosecutors emphasized that the sentences dismantle gang leadership in Memphis and reinforce a strong commitment to combating organized gang violence through coordinated federal, state, and local law enforcement efforts. The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) led the investigation. The

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L-R: City Councilman Ford Canale, Bill Gibbons, Julia Gibbons, and Memphis Mayor Paul Young.

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Bill Gibbons is shown here with W.W. Herenton who broke barriers by becoming Memphis first African American Mayor.



Bill Gibbons listens to remarks from former D.A. Amy Weirich.

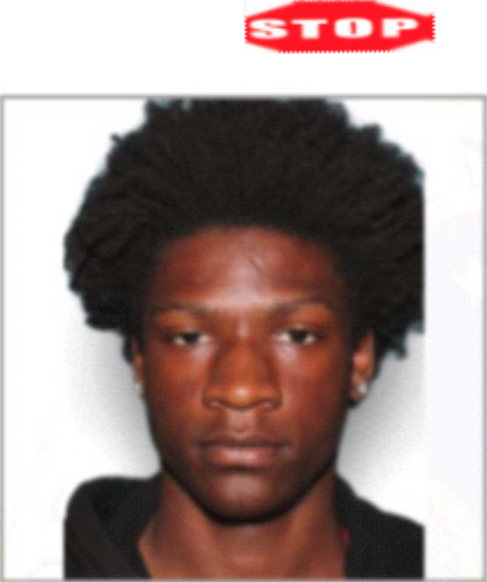


Bill Gibbons, right, with former Central High School guidance counselor Stan Pruett.

Gun Owners of America endorses Representative Patronis' Bill to repeal the Hughes Amendment

From The Outdoor Wire

May 26, 2026 - Gun Owners of America (GOA) endorsed Representative Jimmy Patronis' bill introduced on May 26th on the week of the 40th anniversary of the Hughes Amendment becoming law. The Firearm Freedom Act would repeal the Hughes Amendment, an unconstitutional provision of the Firearms Owners Protection Act of 1986 (FOPA) which banned the sale, transfer, and possession of machine guns manufactured after May 19, 1986. The Hughes Amendment was a poison pill in FOPA that should never have passed. GOA opposed the adoption of this amendment when it was introduced in 1986, and to this day, continues to oppose it and call for its repeal. Erich Pratt, GOA's Senior Vice President, issued the following statement: "For the last 40 years, gun owners across this country have been denied their constitutional right to own a post-1986 machine gun. The Founding Fathers wrote the Second Amendment as a check on tyrannical government, and the Hughes Amendment serves as a serious infringement of that purpose. Many Americans, still alive today, remember being able to lawfully purchase newly-manufactured machine guns. The Hughes Amendment is one of the most egregious laws passed by Congress in the past few decades." Representative Jimmy Patronis, of Florida's 1st Congressional District, issued the following statement to Gun Owners of America: "I'm proud to introduce the Firearm Freedom Act to defend the Second Amendment, and I'm grateful for the support of Gun Owners of America, as we fight to protect gun owners across this country. For too long, Washington bureaucrats have tried to chip away at the freedoms guaranteed in the Constitution. The Firearm Freedom Act pushes back against that overreach and stands up for the rights afforded to all Americans."



Fugitive Dequarius "DQ" Lax, 18, is on the run. Call 800-TBI-FIND to make your community safe!

A report from the Memphis Safe Task Force: \$5,000 Reward for Fugitive!

JACKSON,TN – The U.S. Marshals Service is offering up to \$5,000 in reward money for information leading to the capture of fugitive, Dequarius "DQ" Lax. Lax, 18, is wanted for First Degree Murder, six counts of Attempted Murder, and multiple other charges related to a May 8, 2026, shooting at Webb Banks

Park in Brownsville, TN, that took the life of 17-year-old Sarah Hayes. The Tennessee Bureau of Investigation is also offering a reward of up to \$2,500 for a combined reward of up to \$7,500 for the arrest of Dequarius Lax.

Anyone with information on Lax's whereabouts is asked to call TBI or U.S. Marshals at 1-800-TBI-FIND. More information about the U.S. Marshals Service can be found at <http://www.usmarshals.gov>.

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