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**ST. LOUIS CIRCUIT ATTORNEY AND UNITED STATES
ATTORNEY REPORT WEEKLY RESULTS OF ST. LOUIS
REGIONAL CEASEFIRE INITIATIVE**

St. Louis, Missouri: The following represents the prosecution activities under the St. Louis Regional Ceasefire Initiative, a component of the Bush Administration's Project Safe Neighborhoods Program, United States Attorney James G. Martin and St. Louis Circuit Attorney Jennifer Joyce announced today.

These cases are the result of the collaborative efforts of federal and local law enforcement including the U.S. Attorney's Office, the St. Louis City Circuit Attorney's Office, the St. Louis County Prosecutor's Office, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), the U.S. Marshal's Service, the Drug Enforcement Administration, the St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department and the St. Louis County Police Department.

This week's results of Project Safe Neighborhood/Ceasefire are as follows:

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Phillip Smith, 20, of the 3400 block of Iowa, was sentenced to serve twelve years in the Missouri Department of Corrections after pleading guilty to three counts of assault first degree, robbery first degree, four counts of armed criminal action, assault third degree, and property damage second degree. These charges relate to incidents that occurred in the 4100 block of McRee on April 4, 2004.

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CARL LEE WINSTON, 39, of the 4900 block of Kemper, St. Louis, 63139, pleaded guilty to one

felony count of being a previously convicted felon in possession of a firearm. Winston now faces a maximum penalty of ten years in prison and/or a fine of \$250,000. Sentencing has been set for June 10, 2005.

DEWAUN TAYLOR, 30, of the 5600 block of Acme, St. Louis, pleaded guilty to one felony count of possession with intent to distribute over five grams of crack cocaine and one felony count of possession of a firearm in relation to one or more drug trafficking crimes. Taylor now faces a penalty range of five to 40 years on the drug charge and five to life in prison on the weapons charge. Sentencing has been set for June 1, 2005.

VINCENT WALLACE, 25, of the 4200 block of Miletus, St. Louis, 63033, was indicted by a federal grand jury one felony count of being a felon in possession of a firearm, one felony count of possession of a sawed-off shotgun, one felony count of possession with intent to distribute heroin, and one felony count of possession of a firearm in furtherance of a drug trafficking crime. If convicted, Wallace faces a penalty range of five to 40 years in prison and/or fines up to \$1,000,000.

The charges set forth in an indictment are merely accusations, and each defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.