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UNITED STATES ATTORNEY REPORTS 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 Catherine L. Hanaway 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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JESSE L. DONEGAN, 24, Hobkirk, St. Louis, 63137, was sentenced to 92 months in prison on one felony count of carjacking.

EARL DWAYNE BROWN, 26, of the 5600 block of Hebert, St. Louis, 63113, was sentenced to 63 months in prison on one felony count of being a previously convicted felon in possession of a firearm.

MICHAEL JOHNSON, 31, of the 8000 block of Shellbark, St. Louis, 63114, was sentenced to 36 months in prison on one felony count of being a previously convicted felon in possession of a firearm.

KOBYASHI JONES, 31, Cates Street, St. Louis, 63113, was indicted by a federal grand jury on one felony count of being a previously convicted felon in possession of a firearm. If convicted, Jones faces a **mandatory minimum** of 15 years in prison.

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