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NO SURRENDER! A Battle Plan for Creating Safer Communities

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***BILL GIBBONS AUTHORS "NO SURRENDER! A BATTLE PLAN
FOR CREATING SAFER COMMUNITIES"***

MEMPHIS, TN (January 14, 2010) – Surrendering to crime denies the American dream to those who no longer feel safe in their homes, on their streets, or in their schools. In the book ***No Surrender! A Battle Plan for Creating Safer Communities***, authored by Bill Gibbons, the Memphis/Shelby County District Attorney shares the tools and methods for how to win the fight against crime.

Gibbons decided to write *No Surrender!* after travelling to New Orleans with a team of five big city prosecutors following Hurricane Katrina. "We were asked to suggest best practices to help fix flaws in the city's criminal justice system exposed and deepened by Katrina. We found a lot of common ground on what works across the country. This book focuses on a number of those practices," he said.

Gibbons explains how communities once plagued with issues, including drug use, gang violence, impoverished neighborhoods and troubled youths, have staged remarkable breakthroughs that few would have predicted or imagined. Using these successful examples, Gibbons outlines a front-line, prosecutor-driven battle plan for communities to overcome the threat of crime.

In *No Surrender!*, Gibbons writes about experiences in his life that shaped him and details how those experiences have influenced his approaches to fighting crime as the District Attorney in Memphis for twelve years.

From skipping school as a child, to being robbed at gunpoint in front of his home with his young daughter by his side, Gibbons did not give up. He did not drop out of school. He did not move away. He did not surrender to the influences of crime on his life.

No Surrender! A Battle Plan for Creating Safer Communities was published by Top Shelf Press. It is available currently at select bookstores in the Memphis and Nashville areas and is available at Amazon.com.

Proceeds from the sales of *No Surrender!* benefit the National District Attorneys Association (NDAA). The NDAA is a non-profit, professional organization that represents prosecutors on the national level and helps train and offers research to prosecutors across the country.

About Bill Gibbons

Bill Gibbons has served as Shelby County District Attorney General since 1996, first appointed to the office, then twice elected by the public. He previously was a partner in the law firm of Evans & Petree and served in part-time elective positions on both the Memphis City Council and the Shelby County Commission. He also served on the staff of former Tennessee Governor Lamar Alexander. Gibbons is a vice president and sits on the board of directors for the NDAA.

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