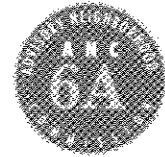


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April 30, 2007

The Honorable Judge Rufus King
Moultrie Courthouse
500 Indiana Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20001

Dear Chief Judge King:

At its regularly scheduled meeting on April 12, 2007, with a quorum present, our Commission voted unanimously to respectfully request that you provide the following statement to all of the judges who might hear criminal cases or sentencing in the District of Columbia.

Case 2006CMD19775 is with regards to Mr. David Vines, an almost 30 time repeat burglar from homes and autos in Metropolitan Police Department's (MPD) First District. Most recently, Mr. Vines was arrested for "tampering with an auto" on Wednesday, March 28, 2007; and then again for Possession of Drug Paraphernalia and Possession of an Open Container of Alcohol on Friday, March 30, 2007.

Mr. Vines is reportedly a repeat probation violator per MPD officers. In addition, Judge Wynn had previously suspended 180 days of Mr. Vines's sentencing with the conditions that required his successful completion of probation. However, when Mr. Vines did not follow these guidelines, as illustrated by the recent re-arrests, it has been reported that Judge Wynn terminated his probation unsuccessfully but did not remand him to jail for the remainder of his sentence.

The community has no confidence that this action will persuade Mr. Vines to discontinue his criminal activities. Accordingly, we respectfully request that Mr. Vines be remanded to jail immediately and that judges reconsider terminating probation in the future when dealing with a repeat offender that has not successfully completed probation.

We respectfully request you give this your full consideration and keep us apprised of the status of this case. If you have any questions, then please contact Commissioner Stephanie Nixon at 202-222-8570 or smnixon6a@prodigy.net.

On behalf of the Commission,

Joseph Fengler
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

Cc: Councilmember Wells
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Chief Lanier, Metropolitan Police Department
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