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CM Rahman Johnson Makes Statement on Westside Drug Ring Bust

Jacksonville, FL – Jacksonville City Council Member Rahman Johnson released the following statement related to a drug ring bust that was possible due to a tip from Jacksonville Sheriff’s Watch.

“I am incredibly grateful to Sheriff T.K. Waters, the dedicated officers and detectives of the Jacksonville Sheriff’s Office, and the members of Sheriff’s Watch for their outstanding efforts in putting an end to a dangerous drug ring in our community.

Because of the quick action and diligence of our law enforcement professionals, nine individuals involved in illegal drug activities have been apprehended, and a significant amount of dangerous narcotics has been kept off the street. We must use every tool we have in order to combat crime and protect this city.

The discovery that one of the seized firearms was linked to violent crimes underscores the importance of getting guns off of the streets. It is reassuring to know that through the collaborative efforts of law enforcement and concerned citizens, potential tragedies have been averted.

I urge everyone to remain vigilant and continue cooperating with law enforcement to ensure the safety and well-being of our neighborhoods. Together, we can make Jacksonville a safer place for everyone.

Once again, my heartfelt appreciation to Sheriff T.K. Waters and the Jacksonville Sheriff’s Office for their unwavering dedication and professionalism in serving Jacksonville.”

Council Member Rahman Johnson

Rahman K. Johnson, Ph.D., was elected in 2023 to represent District 14 on the Jacksonville City Council. He brings a wealth of experience in media, community service, and academia. On the Council, he serves on the Land Use and Zoning and Rules Committees, the Library Board of Trustees, the Safety and Crime Reduction Commission, and the Value Adjustment Board. Johnson is an award-winning author whose book *Living, Loving, Letting Go* was named Book of the Year by the American Library Association.

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