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### **CONGRESSMAN STEVE COHEN AND SHELBY COUNTY MAYOR LEE HARRIS ENDORSE VAN TURNER FOR MEMPHIS MAYOR**

**MEMPHIS, TN** – Today, in a significant show of support, Congressman Steve Cohen and Mayor Lee Harris officially announced their endorsement of Van Turner for Mayor of Memphis.

In a joint statement, the leaders expressed, "Memphis needs leadership that's not only effective but deeply connected to the Memphis community. Van Turner is that leader. His commitment to justice, equality, and a brighter future for all Memphians is unparalleled."

Congressman Steve Cohen, a tireless advocate for civil rights, justice, and healthcare reform in Tennessee's 9th district, emphasized the importance of electing a Mayor who will prioritize the well-being of all residents. "Van Turner's track record speaks for itself," Cohen remarked, "His passion for justice and his forward-thinking vision make him the best choice for Memphis."

Mayor Lee Harris, known for his dedication to investing in the wellbeing of Memphians, shared a similar sentiment. "Van embodies the spirit of Memphis: resilient, forward-thinking, and rooted in community. It's time for a leader who will lead us to a brighter future."

Rep. Justin J. Pearson and representatives from influential community organizations also stand in solidarity, affirming their support for Van Turner's mayoral bid.

This significant endorsement from key figures in Memphis's political landscape underscores the momentum building behind Van Turner's campaign, as early voting kicks off just weeks away from Election Day Oct. 5th.

#### **About Congressman Steve Cohen**

Congressman Steve Cohen has been a beacon of leadership in Tennessee's 9th district, advocating tirelessly for civil rights, justice, and the betterment of his community.

## **About Mayor Lee Harris**

Mayor Lee Harris has consistently demonstrated progressive leadership in Memphis, focusing on policies that prioritize the well-being, education, and sustainable future of all Memphians.

## **Additional Endorsements for Van Turner:**

Memphis and West Tennessee AFL-CIO Central Labor Council

Tennessee Advocates for Planned Parenthood

Memphis For All

Movement for Justice PAC

Stand For Children Tennessee

Collective PAC

People for Fairness and Justice

Shelby County District Attorney Steve Mulroy

State Representative Justin J Pearson

State Representative GA Hardaway

Memphis City Councilman Jeff Warren

State Senator Sara Kyle

Shelby County Trustee Regina Morrison Newman

Shelby County Property Assessor Melvin Burgess

Reverend Michael Moore

Attorney Henry E. Reeves III

Memphis City Council Chairman Martavius Jones

Shelby County Criminal Court Clerk Heidi Kuhn

**The election is Thursday, October 5, and Rep. Pearson and community partners urge Memphians to support Van Turner for Memphis Mayor.**

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