Reward Proposed for Leads in 1997 LA Rap Murder

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The family of Christopher Wallace, also known as late hip-hop rap artist Notorious B.I.G., 2 weeks ago received \$1.1 Million from the city of Los Angeles. City attorneys told the LA city council an appeal was unlikely to overturn the Jan. 20th ruling by U.S. District Judge Florence-Marie Cooper who ordered that the family receive \$1.1 Million dollars from the city of Los Angeles to cover their legal expenses stemming from the family's civil lawsuit against the City of Los Angeles that ended in a mistrial last July.

The mistrial was declared because the judge, at that time, expressed concern that the Los Angeles Police Department had deliberately withheld evidence from the court. The revelation that a police detective may have hid statements linking the killing of Notorious B.I.G. to former LAPD Officers David Mack and Rafael Perez

Now a Los Angeles Councilman, Dennis Zine has proposed a \$50,000 reward to help solve the rappers murder.

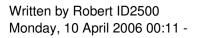
"I am hopeful someone will come forward with information which will lead to the eventual apprehension of the murderers involved in this case," Mr Zine said.

Councilman Zine's proposal would offer the \$50,000 reward for 60 days. The proposed reward is being reviewed by the LA City Council public safety committee.

The FBI had spent 18 months also investigating the possibility that a rogue Los Angeles police officer working with rap mogul and CEO of Death Row Records, Marion "Suge" Knight had orchestrated Notorious B.I.G.'s killing. They closed the case due to a lack of any evidence to support the Wallace family's allegations; allegations fueled by theories based on disgruntled ex-police officer Russell Poole. The late rappers family civil suit did not name Marion 'Suge' Knight, Mack, Perez or the alleged shooter, and none of them have ever been formally named suspects in the case or arrested in connection with the crime.

Marion 'Suge' Knight, whose Death Row Records was the label of late rap icon Tupac Shakur (2Pac), has always denied he had any participation in this matter. Tupac (2Pac) and Biggie were rivals and some say the assassination of Tupac is what is behind the murder of Notorious

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The murders of Tupac Shakur (2Pac) and Notorious B.I.G. have never been solved.