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**Commissioner Richard R. Boykin, 1st District, Introduces Seven Point Plan to Reduce Gun Violence
in the City of Chicago**

Commissioner Richard R. Boykin, 1st District, introduced a Seven Point Plan to reduce gun violence in the City of Chicago as part of this morning's unveiling of his Memorial to Victims of Gun Violence. As part of the Commissioner's accompanying discussion on his policy efforts to address gun violence, he outlined the Seven Point Plan, consisting specifically of the following policy initiatives:

1. Parenting workshops in churches and not-for-profits throughout Chicago and Cook County;
2. Strict enforcement of curfew laws, utilizing multiple departments of law enforcement if City Police resources are deemed insufficient for this purpose;
3. Expansion of Drug Courts and other therapeutic court models;
4. Charging individuals pulling the trigger and co-conspirators with Domestic Terrorism;
5. Expansion of the utilization of the Sheriff's police in high crime areas over a prolonged period;
6. Stiffer penalties for people caught carrying guns illegally and expansion of gun buy-back programs;
7. Job training and a real, comprehensive jobs program for areas experiencing high levels of violence and poverty.

The above policy proposals will be explored in depth on Saturday, June 13 at 10 AM, when Commissioner Boykin convenes a joint summit between Cook County and the City of Chicago on Gun Violence at the University of Illinois, Chicago School of Public Health on Saturday, June 13, at 10 AM.

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