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## MILTON STREET SENTENCED TO 30 MONTHS IN PRISON FOR TAX EVASION

PHILADELPHIA – Milton Street, 69, of Moorestown, NJ, was sentenced today to 30 months in federal prison for his conviction on tax evasion charges, announced Acting United States Attorney Laurie Magid. Street, a food vendor and older brother of one of Philadelphia's former mayors, failed to pay federal income tax on more than two million dollars in consulting and non-vending income. He was convicted on three counts of failure to file tax returns. In addition to the prison term, United States District Court Judge Legrome Davis ordered Street to pay full restitution to the IRS in the amount of \$413,704, and ordered him to immediately begin serving his sentence.

"This case was a simple matter of paying what is owed to the United States government no matter who you are, who you know, or how you view our tax system," said Magid. "This defendant tried to hood-wink the IRS and got caught. This prison sentence is the consequence he must pay for his illegal actions."

"The majority of American taxpayers file their income tax returns and pay their taxes in a timely manner," said IRS Special Agent-in-Charge Leslie DeMarco. "Part of the IRS Criminal Investigation mission is to assure those honest taxpayers that everyone pays their fair share. We are committed to enforcing the tax laws, along with aggressively pursuing those individuals who willfully fail to file their tax returns and intentionally do not pay their taxes. Income, no matter where it is derived or who earns it, must be reported and the taxes paid."

This case was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and the Internal Revenue Service Criminal Investigation Division. It was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorneys Jennifer Arbittier Williams and Anthony Wzorek.

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