Las Vegas/Toronto – August, 2006. Incarcerated Freedom Fighter Dr. Mutulu Shakur has released a CD entitled *A 2Pac Tribute: Dare 2 Struggle* commemorating the life and times of his son Tupac Amaru Shakur. Tupac is the best-selling rap musician of all time and arguably the most influential artist in the genre.

Dr. Mutulu Shakur has been imprisoned in US penitentiaries the past 19 years for activities in support of the Black Liberation Movement. *A 2Pac Tribute: Dare 2 Struggle* is the first ever compilation to feature incarcerated rappers alongside hip-hop heavyweights. Such a project was actually conceived by Tupac and his brother Mopreme during their prison meetings with Mutulu, when they wrote the *Thug Code* constitution to help decrease gang violence. Their peace-making efforts were cut short when Tupac was killed in Las Vegas on September 13, 1996.

The tribute CD features a 16-page booklet which includes a printing of the *Thug Code*. Half the album's proceeds are being used towards Dr. Mutulu Shakur's inner city health and education initiatives, as an attempt to pick up where his sons' efforts left off.

*A 2Pac Tribute: Dare 2 Struggle* also breaks new ground in the growing urban publishing industry, by including an exclusive preview chapter of Dr. Mutulu Shakur's new historical fiction novel about Tupac entitled *N 2 Da Gutter*. The album features new music by Tupac's family, including Mopreme, Nzingha and the Outlawz, alongside contemporary musician admirers TQ, Slick, Imaan Faith, and T-Jay, among others.

The tribute CD is Executive Produced by Dr. Mutulu Shakur and Canadian hip-hop activist Raoul Juneja (a.k.a. Deejay Ra). It has been released by KENT Entertainment and their rap imprint FIRST KUT (Las Vegas), in association with Juneja's Lyrical Knockout Entertainment (Toronto).

For more details and to see events commemorating the 10th anniversary of 2Pac's death in Las Vegas [September 13, 2006] visit [www.FirstKut.com](http://www.FirstKut.com).

For more information about Dr. Mutulu Shakur and the Dare 2Struggle project visit [http://www.daretostruggle.org/](http://www.daretostruggle.org/)