



Sen. Edward Gurney

Gurney: 'Not guilty,

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MIAMI — Sen. Edward J. Gurney of Florida, said yesterday he would seek re-election in November and repeated that he is innocent of wrongdoing in connection with campaign contributions.

The Miami Herald and other Florida newspapers have reported that Larry Williams of Orlando, a form-

er Gurney fund raiser, collected at least \$300,000 in unreported contributions from builders seeking Gurney's influence with the Federal Housing Authority.

Gurney, a republican, said he is seeking re-election to a second term "because I am innocent."

He spoke in an interview with WCKT-TV taped for broadcast today.

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I will run again'

"I've not done anything wrong and I have not been indicted and I expect to win in November," said Gurney, a member of the Senate Watergate committee.

Noting that allegations came mainly from unidentified sources, Gurney said, "The 'Source' family these days are more prevalent than the Smiths or Joneses in the United States."

Gurney said most of the recent articles simply repeated earlier charges.

He said grand jury investigations have cut into his support across the state but an independent poll taken last fall "showed me still ahead."

Gurney has denied any connection with funds he admitted were collected in his behalf.