From the set of Steve McOueen's hit movie "Bullitt" to the bright stage of this year's North American International Auto Show, this 1968 Ford Mustang fastback has lived an amazing life.

To commemorate its movie star role and its significance in American culture, the car was recently recognized by the Historic Vehicle Association in partnership with the U.S. Department of the Interior, Historic American Engineering Record and archives of the Library of Congress. Ford and the Historic Vehicle Association worked with owner Sean Kiernan to authenticate and document the car's history and preservation.

Here are highlights of its remarkable 50-year journey.



1968 Mustangs — VINs

8R02S125559 ('559) —

in January for the making

of the movie "Bullitt"

Warner Bros. purchases two 8R02S125558 ('558) and



## 1968

1970

Ross sells '559 to New

Jersey police detective

Frank Marranca for \$6,000

McQueen's offers to buy '559

Kiernans decline Steve

1989

'559 follows its owners to a

new home in Kentucky, and

six years later on another

move to Tennessee

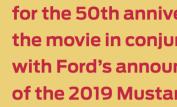
Robert and his 20-year-old

son Sean begin restoring '559



and Casey Wallace

# 2017 '559 is reunited with McQueen







'559 and starts it for the firs















