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February 9-14th "National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans" Week

ERIE, PA – February 5, 2009 Mayor Sinnott proclaimed February 9-14th "National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans" Week in the City of Erie. National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans is an annual tradition that offers an opportunity to recognize the individuals whose contributions helped preserve America's freedom and who, with the passing of the years, require special care.

The observance coincides with Valentine's Day - a time of year when people show admiration and appreciation for one another, as it inspires the sentiments of caring that is reflected in the spirit of the upcoming week.

Mayor Sinnott encourages Erie residents to take time next week to visit local veterans at the VA hospital, the Soldiers and Sailors home or other local institutions - to show gratitude and respect to these admirable citizens. He would also like to remind people - especially the youth in our communities - of the courage and sacrifices these men and women made, fighting to maintain our freedom. Mayor Sinnott plans to visit the Erie VA Hospital on Tuesday, February 10th at 10 AM.

For additional information, please contact VA Medical Center, Voluntary Services Officer, Karen O'Neil, at (814) 860-2454.

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