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COUNCILMAN JIM THOMPSON MEMORIAL BLOOD DRIVE TO BE HELD

ERIE, PA – December 20, 2010 A Memorial Blood Drive in honor of City Councilman Jim Thompson will be held on **Wednesday, January 5th, 2011** in the lobby of the City of Erie Municipal Building, 626 State Street, from 10:30 AM until 4 PM. All blood types will be accepted and everyone who donates will be entered to win a \$100 Wegmans Gift Card. Limited parking will be available on State Street, in front of City Hall.

In order to donate blood, you must be at least 17 years old, weigh 110 pounds and be in general good health. The Community Blood Bank reminds you to have Photo ID with you. In addition to honoring Mr. Thompson, the Community Blood Bank is partnering with The City Mission and asks that you consider making a donation of boxed cereal or diapers when you donate blood.

A special thanks to Calimari's Squid Row, Wegmans and the Erie Otters for their generous contributions and support. For additional questions, please contact Councilman Mark Aleksandrowicz at (814) 464-3379.

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