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Mayor Leiken Available at 2 p.m.

Springfield Mayor Sid Leiken will be available at City Hall, today (Tuesday, April 28) at 2 p.m. to take questions on behalf of John Woodrow's family. The media is welcome to meet at the City Council Chambers in Springfield City Hall at 225 Fifth St.

City Councilor John Woodrow

It is with great sadness that we report the passing of City of Springfield, Ward 5 Councilor John Woodrow on Tuesday morning, April 28, 2009. John was elected to the Springfield City Council in 2002 and was a dedicated public servant and volunteer for more than a decade in our community. He was a tireless advocate for public safety, the protection of animals and worked hard to build a better future for all in Springfield.

John and his wife Marilee chose to move to Springfield in 1997 and immediately became active in the community. Among his many endeavors, he was the Chair of the Springfield Holiday/Christmas Parade, served on Lane Regional Air Pollution Authority's Budget Committee for six years, was on the McKenzie Watershed Alliance's Budget Committee, is a member of the Springfield Rotary and has served on the Springfield Chamber of Commerce as Board member and Chair of the Chamber's Greeters Committee. He was a member of numerous City committees, including the Police Planning Task Force and the Lane Metro Partnership. John served as City Council President in 2005 - 2006 and was presented with the Springfield Chamber of Commerce First Citizen award in 2006.

Mayor Sid Leiken will be available to talk to the media this afternoon. A notification will be sent when a time is confirmed.