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## **BMV hosts grand reopening of Columbia City branch**

INDIANAPOLIS – Don Snemis, Commissioner of the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV), hosted a grand reopening of the Columbia City license branch today. He was joined by State Representative Kathy Heuer (R-Columbia City) and Columbia City Mayor Ryan Daniel.

The license branch, located at 662 Country Side Drive, was temporarily closed last July when a high speed police chase came to an end inside the branch. The suspect’s vehicle crashed through a wall, causing extensive damage. Fortunately, no one was injured.

Snemis recognized the staff and the community for their efforts during the reconstruction of the branch. “Business was only briefly interrupted thanks to the dedication of our branch management team, our associates and our local partners in Columbia City. We are proud of the significant renovations and improvements that have been made to the branch since the incident occurred,” Snemis said.

Rep. Kathy Heuer added, “I applaud the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles for their dedication and commitment to rebuilding the Columbia City License Branch, and I am excited to see this important community resource not only restored, but upgraded to better meet customer needs.”

Mayor Ryan Daniel was also in attendance for the celebration. “The Bureau of Motor Vehicles has overcome an unusual experience and yet they continue to provide our citizens with the necessary state services we have come to expect. They have come back in a strong way and we appreciate their investment in our community,” he said.

State Senator Jim Banks (R-Columbia City) was unable to attend due to scheduling conflicts, but sent his appreciation for the efforts of those involved.

“It’s great to have this important resource available to Columbia City again,” Sen. Jim Banks said. “Over the past few months, BMV officials have worked hard to restore our local license branch, and their work has not gone unnoticed. Like many other residents, I’m grateful for these efforts and for BMV’s contribution to our community.”