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**Legislator Tom Muratore and Councilman Kevin LaValle  
Seek Support for Their “Pound for Pint”  
COMMUNITY BLOOD & FOOD DRIVE**



*Photo caption: Legislator Tom Muratore (right) with Brookhaven Town Councilman Kevin LaValle*

Selden, NY - Suffolk County Legislator Tom Muratore (R-Ronkonkoma) has announced that once again, he and Brookhaven Town Councilman Kevin LaValle (R-Selden) will be sponsoring a community blood drive on Monday, April 6, 2015. The drive, held in conjunction with Long Island Blood Services, will take place at the Middle Country Public Library's Selden branch, located at 575 Middle Country Road. Donation hours are 3:00pm-7:30pm.

This year's event has an added dynamic, called the "Pound for Pint" promotion. For every pint of blood donated, New York Blood Center will donate a pound of food to a local charity. Participants are also encouraged to bring a non-perishable food item to donate as well (pasta, cereal, canned foods, etc.).

"Once again, I am pleased to collaborate with Councilman LaValle for such a worthwhile cause," stated Legislator Muratore. "Many people depend on life-saving blood transfusions, and food donations are also a great way for our community to help. I appreciate everybody's support."

Councilman LaValle commented, "It is a great pleasure to partner with County Legislator Muratore on such an important event. Every two seconds someone in America receives a blood transfusion. Five million patients will need blood this year. I encourage the residents of the Third Council District to participate in this event; you will truly be giving the gift of life to someone in need both by giving blood and fighting the battle of hunger right here on Long Island."

If you would like to schedule an appointment, or if you have any questions, please call Legislator Tom Muratore's office at (631) 854-9292 or Councilman LaValle's office at (631) 451-6647.