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## **OHIO VETERANS UNITED ENDORSES TOM GERBER FOR MAYOR OF NEW PHILADELPHIA**

**CINCINNATI – March 28, 2011** – Ohio Veterans United today announced the endorsement of Edwin Thomas Gerber for mayor of New Philadelphia. The announcement was made by Harry Prestanski, executive director and founding member of Ohio Veterans United. “Following a thorough review of the candidates’ backgrounds, experiences, and positions on issues, we believe that Tom Gerber shares our core values, including being a staunch and effective supporter of veterans,” says Prestanski. “He has shown a dedication to service and commitment to state and community.”

Gerber served honorably as a member of the US Army from 1960–1963 and was stationed in France with the 249th Army Construction Engineer Battalion as a heavy equipment operator. He has 21 years of service as an Ohio State Trooper serving at various ranks at patrol posts throughout Ohio. In addition, he has been a small business owner for over 20 years teaching traffic safety courses for Tuscarawas County AAA. He is a member of the American Legion.

“Veterans such as Tom Gerber have a tremendous amount to offer in terms of virtuous leadership, integrity, professionalism, and service,” said Prestanski. “Our mission is to educate citizens on the need to maintain a strong national defense and to help elect qualified veterans and like-minded non-veterans to office. We are strong advocates of legislation that fully supports our troops, military families and Veterans and we work to ensure that every military absentee ballot is counted in every election. Ohio Veterans United supports limited government, lower taxes, personal freedom with responsibility, elimination of government waste, and the responsible spending of taxpayer dollars.”

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