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INDIANA CAMPAIGN FOR SMOKEFREE AIR (ICSA) TOWN HALL MEETING SERIES COMES TO SOUTHEASTERN INDIANA TONIGHT

ADVOCATES TO URGE COMPREHENSIVE STATEWIDE SMOKEFREE WORKPLACE LAW

[HANOVER, IN]—Grassroots advocates from throughout Southeastern Indiana and members of the Indiana Campaign for Smokefree Air will gather in Hanover this evening, Tuesday, December 2nd, to call for the adoption of a comprehensive smokefree workplace law that protects employees from exposure to secondhand smoke in all enclosed workplaces in Indiana, including bars, restaurants and gaming facilities.

This event in Hanover is another in a series of “town hall”-style meetings being held throughout the state over the course of the fall and winter to urge the Indiana General Assembly to join the dozens of other states that protect employees from secondhand smoke exposure in all enclosed workplaces. The meeting will feature a panel discussion of health and business leaders, workers, faith leaders, community leaders and youth to discuss the importance of a comprehensive smokefree workplace law; and a facilitated question-and-answer session will follow. The Indiana Campaign for Smokefree Air has called on state policymakers to pass a comprehensive smokefree workplace law that covers all workplaces in 2009.

Where: Hanover College, Ogle Conference Center, 401 College, Hanover, Indiana

When: Tuesday, December 2nd, 2008 at 7:00 p.m.

For more information about this meeting, for more background about effective smokefree workplace laws or to make arrangements for special needs at the town hall meeting, please contact Tim Filler, chair of the grassroots committee for the Indiana Campaign for Smokefree Air at 317-652-6483.

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Formed in 2007, the Indiana Campaign for Smokefree Air (ICSA) is a growing statewide coalition of more than 30 organizations, including American Cancer Society, American Heart Association, American Lung Association, Campaign for Tobacco-free Kids and others who are all committed to the passage of a comprehensive statewide smokefree law that covers all workplaces, including restaurants, bars and gaming facilities.

No one should have to choose between a job and their health.

Everyone has the right to breathe smokefree air.