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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CHARLESTON, IL--Tom Murray (Arlington Heights--St. Viator), Eastern Illinois University linebacker, has been chosen the Mid-Continent Conference Defensive 'Player of the Week'.

It's the second time this season Murray has been chosen for the weekly defensive honor.

In Saturday's 25-3 loss at Illinois State, the 6-2 senior had 13 tackles including nine solos, three for a loss, two quarterback sacks, a forced fumble and two recovered fumbles.

"Tom's performance Saturday was just consistent with the way he has played all year," said defensive coordinator Rick Schachner. "After playing the position for four years Tommy has the knowledge to always be in the right location, and his timing on the blitz has been excellent."

For the season Murray has 42 solo tackles, seven quarterback sacks, six tackles for loss, two forced fumbles, two recovered fumbles and an intercepted pass.