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MEMORANDUM

TO: Rep. Petri, Rep. Quinn, Rep. Staats, Rep. Farry, Rep. DiGirolamo

FROM: Kathy Watson
144th Legislative District

DATE: August 19, 2016

SUBJECT: *Co-sponsorship of Legislation –*

Please join Representative O'Neill and myself as cosponsors of legislation that will help to address the ongoing drinking water contamination in our respective communities of Warrington and Warminster townships. The legislation is designed to mitigate the pervasive problem of groundwater/aquifer contamination caused by the use of certain chemicals at the Willow Grove Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base, located in nearby Horsham Township, Montgomery County.

The bill proposed would authorize the *Pennsylvania Infrastructure Investment Authority* to use the authority's funds during the 2016-17 fiscal year, to provide grants for projects that update the public water infrastructure to ensure safe drinking water: in a second class township with a population of between 21,500 and 24,500; and also in a second class township with a population of between 32,600 and 34,000; with both aforementioned townships located in a county of the second class A.

This proposal is a follow-up to the provisions in Act 85 of 2016, which similarly granted authority for clean drinking water projects to an adjacent municipality impacted by contaminated water sources from the former Willow Grove Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base.

Please join us in becoming a cosponsor of this vital legislation by contacting Meredith Schuler at 75452 or mschuler@pahousegop.com .