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TO: All Members

FROM: Representative Scott Conklin 

DATE: January 23, 2012

RE: Co-sponsorship of Resolution Honoring the Life and Contributions of Joseph Vincent Paterno

In the near future, I will be introducing a resolution honoring the life and contributions of Penn State University's illustrious former head coach Joseph Vincent Paterno.

As many of you are aware, over the weekend both the Commonwealth and the entire collegiate football world lost one of its greatest and most iconic figures. Affectionately known as "Joe Pa," Joe Paterno's overwhelming success on the college football field is unparalleled. Amassing a stellar record of 409 wins, 37 bowl appearances and two national championships, Joe Paterno is the NCAA's winningest head football coach.

Serving at the helm of the Penn State Nittany Lions for an astonishing 45 years, Joe Paterno revolutionized the game of college football by emphasizing both academic excellence off the field and hard work and grittiness on the field. The man, the myth and the legend of Joe Paterno is one that is deserving of our collective acknowledgement. As such, I wish to honor both his life and many contributions to our Commonwealth, to collegiate sports, and to the Pennsylvania State University.

If you would like to co-sponsor this legislation, please contact Jim Moser at 717-787-9473 or jmoser@pahouse.net.