

MEMORANDUM

TO: All House Members

FROM: Representative Lawrence Curry

DATE: Oct. 9, 2012

SUBJECT: **Request for co-sponsorship of a condolence resolution honoring the life and contributions of the late Peter Stern.**

In the near future I will introduce a resolution expressing condolences upon the death of Peter Stern who passed away at the age of 91 on October 1, 2012.

A prominent Cheltenham Township business leader, Mr. Stern founded the Elkins Park Free Library in 1957, and in doing so formed the Cheltenham Township library system.

Mr. Stern invented "Checkpoint," an electronic system used to prevent the theft of library books and retail shoplifting, and was founder of Checkpoint System in 1967, a world-wide firm that continues to manufacture and install surveillance, barcode labeling and other methods improvement systems today.

Mr. Stern published "Gifford the Giraffe," a collection of stories he told to his grandchildren, and also published other poems and songs and was active in the cultural improvement of Cheltenham Township.

He spent most of his life in the Philadelphia area, graduating from the Oak Lane Country Day School, and later, from Johns Hopkins University in 1943.

This condolence resolution recognizes Mr. Stern's many contributions to Cheltenham Township.

If you wish to co-sponsor this resolution, please contact Nancy Porvaznik via email nporvazn@pahouse.net or by phone at 717-783-1079 (in-house extension # 6532).