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MEMORANDUM

To: All House Members
From: Representative Austin Davis
Subject: Foreclosed Property Maintenance
Date: November 6, 2019

Neglected properties are a danger. Not only an eyesore, abandoned properties are a haven for criminal activity, a potential fire hazard, and a sanitary problem for the whole neighborhood. Foreclosing entities have a responsibility to maintain the properties on their books and must be held liable in their dereliction of duty.

My legislation creates the Property Foreclosure Maintenance Act. This bill will require foreclosed properties to be registered with the local municipality. Once registered, these entities will be held responsible for properly maintaining said properties.

Keeping these properties habitable and marketable not only stabilizes property values, it ensures their likely sale to deserving families who will love and maintain them. Well cared for homes create healthy communities. Please join me in preventing blight and promoting safe, well-maintained neighborhoods for all Pennsylvanians.