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The Honorable Tom Wolf  
Governor  
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
225 Main Capitol Building  
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Dear Governor Wolf:

As a Senator with a large portion of the Mariner East 2 pipeline running throughout my district, I write to ask for your support in ensuring the safety of residents near this pipeline. Specifically, I am requesting that the Department of Environmental Protection conduct a risk assessment study regarding the impact of a potential leak from this pipeline, and I ask that the results of this assessment be released to the public once it is concluded.

Pennsylvania is fortunate to have a thriving natural gas industry, and the employment derived from this industry and the construction of the pipeline required to transport natural gas are greatly beneficial to our state. I believe the individuals building the Mariner East 2 pipeline are highly trained and skilled workers who are doing a tremendous job.

While the construction of the Mariner East 2 pipeline has a positive effect on Pennsylvania's economy with good-paying jobs and by providing energy and materials for consumers and businesses, I have heard many concerns from residents in my district about the impact of a leak of highly flammable and toxic natural gas products. This pipeline is positioned near neighborhoods and schools in my district, and families are wary of how a leak will impact their safety, especially the safety of children. I very much share their concerns about the consequences of a pipeline leak, and I know that you do as well.

As your Administration is responsible for the regulatory oversight of the Mariner East 2 pipeline, I ask that the Department of Environmental Protection undertake this risk assessment study as soon as possible. The results of such a study will help residents, communities and school districts understand the impact of a pipeline leak, and will provide invaluable, possibly life-saving information.

Pennsylvanians need to know how pipeline leaks can affect their safety, and we owe them this information as responsible public servants.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Thomas H. Killion".

TOM KILLION  
SENATOR, 9<sup>th</sup> DISTRICT  
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