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LEGISLATOR STEVE STERN PARTNERS WITH NEW YORK STATE ATTORNEY GENERALS OFFICE TO PRESENT “SMART SENIORS SEMINAR”

Marks “National Assisted Living Week” at The Bristol Assisted Living in East Northport



HUNTINGTON, NY –Suffolk County Legislator Steve Stern (D-Huntington) 16th LD, Chairman of the Veterans Committee, and Vice-Chair of the Seniors Committee, partnered with the office of New York State Attorney General Eric T. Schneiderman to host a “*Smart Seniors-Don’t Get Scammed*” seminar to educate residents about scams aimed at seniors and ways to protect themselves from becoming victims of scams and financial fraud. Scammers are increasingly targeting seniors with a wide variety of scams, including those claiming to be from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Microsoft, and phishing emails seeking financial information, Social Security numbers and credit card information.

Kim Kinirons, Assistant Attorney General in Charge, Suffolk Regional Office, advised residents about scam avoidance and getting help if they have been victimized. Fifty residents and Barbara Heaphy, Director of Recreation and The Bristol Executive Director Nicholas Materdomini, attended. This week also marks “*National Assisted Living Week*,” which recognizes the important place Assisted Living residences have in our community and the services they provide to improve the lives of residents and their families. This year’s theme, “*Keep Connected*” focused on the role of technology for seniors. “I thank Attorney General Eric T. Schneiderman and Kim Kinirons for presenting this timely and informative seminar to provide residents with the tools and information that they need to protect themselves from those who seek to harm and defraud”” Legislator Stern said. “I encourage residents to contact the Attorney General’s Office at 631-231-2170, if they have any questions or concerns about potential scams and to NEVER give personal information to anyone who contacts them, either by mail, phone or e-mail.”

Legislator Stern will be partnering with the Attorney General’s Office again on Wednesday, November 16, 2016 at 11:45 am for a “*Smart Seniors*” Seminar at the Half Hollow Hills Community Library, Meeting Room B-Lower Level, 55 Vanderbilt Parkway, Dix Hills, NY.