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## DOUGLAS M. PINELLI Chief of Police

## MEMORANDUM

Date: February 2, 2022

To: Pennington Borough Residents

From: Chief Douglas M. Pinelli

RE: Solicitor Warning

## Solicitor Warning

Please Use Caution!

Please be advised that there have been solicitors canvassing neighborhoods in Pennington Borough, some of whom have a solicitor's permit with identification and others who do not.

We have been alerted to a specific incident which occurred in the Borough last night with an unknown person who claimed to be working for an alarm company (ADT). It was reported that this individual wanted to look around the residence so a proper evaluation was completed. Fortunately, the resident did not allow this subject into their home and they did contact the police.

It is not advisable to let anyone you do not know into your home for any reason - to use the bathroom, get a drink of water, or use the phone, etc...

If someone you do not know comes to your door – keep the screen door shut, ask them for identification and a copy of their solicitor's permit issued by Pennington Borough. Be aware of what kind of car they are driving and a description of the person (Height, Clothing and any other distinguishing characteristics). It is recommended that you call the police immediately after you have contact with the suspicious person so we can get an officer to the area as quickly as possible.

If they do not have any identification and/or seem suspicious contact the Pennington Police Department by dialing 609.737.2020 for non-emergency events or 9-1-1 for emergent events. It is

recommended that you call the police immediately after you have contact with the suspicious person so we can get an officer to the area as quickly as possible.

Pennington Borough also has a DO NOT SOLICITE list that can be joined by either going to the Pennington Borough Website or the Pennington Police Department Website.

As of the date of this letter Pennington Borough does not have any current solicitor permits on file.