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Legislator D'Amaro and Suffolk Sheriff's Department Ask You to 'Shed the Meds' at North Babylon Library

(NORTH BABYLON, NY... February 20, 2013) -- Studies have found that the improper disposal of medications can have unintended negative consequences. Flushing these substances may result in groundwater contamination and simply throwing them out in the garbage provides an opportunity for abusers to gain access to the discarded products. With this in mind, Suffolk Legislator Lou D'Amaro (D-North Babylon), the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department and the North Babylon Public Library are giving community members the opportunity to safely hand over their medications for proper disposal by hosting a "Shed the Meds" event.

Residents who are interested in safe disposal of their unwanted medications should bring them to the library, located at 815 Deer Park Avenue in North Babylon between 11 am and 1 pm on Wednesday, March 6. It is suggested that medications be removed from their prescription bottles and placed in a plastic bag. Unfortunately, liquid medications cannot be accepted. For more information, contact the North Babylon Public Library at (631) 669-4020.

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"With prescription drug misuse on the rise, it is important that we get unused and unneeded medications out of our homes and away from potential abusers," Legislator D'Amaro said. "I thank the North Babylon Public Library for providing the host site for this program and urge community residents to show how much they care about their families and the environment by coming out and participating in this event."

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Suffolk County Legislator Lou D'Amaro represents the 17th Legislative District, which includes parts of Huntington, Huntington Station, South Huntington, Melville, West Hills, Cold Spring Hills, Dix Hills, Deer Park, North Babylon and West Babylon. He is chairman of the Ways & Means committee and vice chairman of both the Parks & Recreation and Economic Development & Energy committees of the Suffolk County Legislature.