I've have made every effort to be a responsible citizen since relocating to Portland, Oregon ten years ago. Although the matter of recycling appears to be far more important to people here than in Ohio it is still an obvious problem, and a serious one. Due to a recent move I had to order things online. One small item such as ink for a printer was wrapped several times then surrounded with an excess of more paper and mailed in a box at least 10 times the size needed. I do not order from the very large online companies but I hear many friends say that they receive packages daily. All of that wrapping and plastic must be disposed of in some way without contributing to an already lethal problem. I feel that industries could help solve some of the problem by being an example to the public, many of who do not yet understand. They don't bring their own cloth bags or carriers when shopping and continue to ask for plastic. If companies minimized their use of these unnecessary things then consumers would see and hopefully follow the lead. When people say they can throw "a little garbage" in with recyclables I am appalled as I strive to learn more about how I can make things better for our children's children.

Please vote for 5B582! I am frustrated and seriously annoyed that more has not been done. It can happen and it will happen if everyone cooperates. Thank you for caring for our city, our country and our future world.