

August 23, 2025

Dear Members of the Nassau Retirees Legal Fund,

I am writing this letter to express and extend my support to your efforts to secure your healthcare benefits. The retirees of the legal fund dedicated their careers to public service, working as the backbone of our County for decades, ensuring the upkeep of our parks, roads, facilities, and public spaces. In return for their service our retirees were promised a strong standard of healthcare benefits upon their retirement. Specifically, the promise of fully paid lifetime healthcare coverage, equal or better than the NYSHIP Empire Plan. This promise must be kept, and these benefits must not be diminished.

Retirees are no longer part of a union once they leave public service. As such, retirees were not included in the 2023 agreement between the County and any unions that represent active employees. The collective bargaining agreement that was in place when your members left public service is what determines your retirement benefits. Any negotiations between the County and any unions that represent active employees should have no impact on the benefits of retirees. Thus, it is the duty of the County Executive and County Legislature to uphold this promise and safeguard the benefits of its retirees.

Sincerely,

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