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Nassau Retirees Legal Fund Endorses Minority Leader Delia DeRiggi-Whitton for Re-Election, District 11

Nassau County, NY – The Nassau Retirees Legal Fund (NRLF) has officially endorsed **Legislator Delia DeRiggi-Whitton**, Minority Leader of the Nassau County Legislature, recognizing her unwavering support for retirees in their ongoing fight to preserve and restore the benefits promised to them.

In a letter addressed to the NRLF, Legislator DeRiggi-Whitton reaffirmed her strong commitment to ensuring that county retirees receive the health benefits they earned through decades of service.

"CSEA retirees represent the backbone of Nassau County's workforce, and you and your members have done so much to improve the quality of life and services enjoyed by generations of Nassau County residents," said DeRiggi-Whitton. "You are both legally and morally entitled to the agreed-upon benefits that you worked so hard to secure."

DeRiggi-Whitton also made clear that:

- Retirees should not have been included in the 2023 Memorandum of Understanding between the County and the union representing active employees, as the law prohibits unions from representing both groups simultaneously.
- The Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) in effect at the time of retirement governs retirees' rights, guaranteeing county-paid health insurance that cannot be diminished; and
- Retirees are entitled to fully paid lifetime health insurance with benefits at least as comprehensive as those provided under the NYSHIP Empire Plan.

The endorsement highlights her leadership in standing up for fairness, accountability, and the dignity of retirees who dedicated their careers to serving Nassau County.

Helen Ebbert, President • William Behr, 1st Vice President • Bruce Raskin, 2nd Vice President Ann Furey, Secretary/Treasurer• Scott Cohen, Director of Communications The Nassau Retirees Legal Fund urges voters in District 11 to support **Delia DeRiggi-Whitton** this election. Her proven record of integrity and his steadfast commitment to retirees make her the clear choice to represent Nassau County with honor.

In solidarity,

The Nassau Retirees Legal Fund Board www.nassauretirees.org

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