



general motors retirees association

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Dear GM Retiree,

We are facing another year of crucial legislative decisions that could further impact your benefits and quality of life as a GM retiree.

As many of you know, our primary reason for being is to preserve and enhance the pension, health care and other benefits you earned during your service with GM and we are on track for the challenge.

This year, the General Motors Retirees Association (GMRA) organized and incorporated as a legally registered social welfare organization and gained recognition from GM as an official interface with GM retirees. We are well-connected with the National Retiree Legislative Network (NRLN) and other retiree organizations, to monitor events and legislation that could have additional impact on retiree benefits.

My personal thanks goes out to all of you who have already joined GMRA. Your support, suggestions and contributions are greatly appreciated. For those who are not yet members, we ask that you seriously consider becoming part of the effort to create greater post-employment security for salaried retirees. Just visit us online at www.gmret.org and click on the Membership tab. There you can register at the "Join the GMRA" link and make a secure online contribution by selecting the "Support the GMRA" link. You can also print the membership form at the "Join the GMRA" link and mail it back to us along with your GMRA membership contribution of \$25. With your membership contribution, you will receive a complimentary membership in the NRLN and will get timely notice of new developments and legislation that could impact your benefits.

The contributions we receive from you are used for a legal defense fund, member communications and mailings, attorney fees, new legislative initiatives, conference calls and necessary travel. The Board members receive no compensation. They have all volunteered their time and talent to work toward protecting GM pensions and our remaining benefits.

We invite you to join us in this work. We need support at all levels. If you can actively participate, click on the "About Us" link at the GMRA website to view open positions on the GMRA Board. Please consider volunteering for one of the positions. If you prefer to help in some other way, please send us an e-mail. Our contact information is listed on the website.

We need to build the GMRA membership network and can only be successful with your active support. There are about 123,000 GM retirees in the U.S. At this time, although GMRA is the largest GM salaried retiree organization, a relatively small percentage of the total number of retirees are members. We must grow our organization to wield the kind of political and public influence necessary to achieve our mission.

Please pass this invitation along to your network of GM retiree friends, neighbors and acquaintances, inviting them to become a part of the GMRA effort. Help us connect to the many retirees that have not yet learned about GMRA and the work we are doing to enhance the security of our retirement years.

All the best,

John Christie

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