



# NARFE

National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association

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Names of Addressee

Street Address

City, State ZIP

Date

Mr./Ms. (NAME),

I have recently been advised that you have chosen not to renew your membership in the National Active and Retired Employees (NARFE) Association. As you know, NARFE is the only organization in existence that works to protect the benefits of both active and retired federal employees.

Recent activity in NARFE kept the Federal Employee Health Benefit Plan (FEHBP) from being denied to federal workers and retirees during the Health Care Reform process. In addition, NARFE also helped in defeating an amendment to the health care bill which would have increased the risk pool for the FEHBP and which could potentially increase premiums for you and others. NARFE is an active “watchdog” for your federal benefits such as health insurance and is constantly on the alert for potential changes effecting active federal employees and retirees and provides testimony to the various congressional committees in representing all of us.

During August 2009, members of the U.S. Senate and Congress in Arkansas were contacted in person, to present NARFE’s position on health care and to represent the active and retired federal employees in affirming that federal workers and retirees do not wish any changes to take place in their health care system or benefits.

At the state level, NARFE is working on a bill in the Arkansas Legislature to reduce state income tax liability on federal retirement. A presentation was made in September 2009 to the Joint Revenue and Taxation Committee, introducing this bill. Further work will continue on this initiative.

However, without the support of members such as you, our numbers will be reduced and our effectiveness will be diminished. We need the support of all our members to sustain NARFE’s voice at both the federal and state levels.

Generally, we all purchase insurance for our homes and vehicles to protect ourselves against those types of losses. Look upon NARFE as insurance for your federal benefits. Through the years, NARFE has continued to protect the benefits of both active and retired federal employees, just as an insurance company protects your house and vehicles. NARFE has been successful in protecting federal benefits and will continue to do so, but we need your support!

You may have your yearly dues withheld from your federal pay or annuity and therefore guarantee your continued membership through the years. Contact me to obtain a form to have your dues withheld from your retirement.

**National Active & Retired Federal Employees (NARFE)**

I ask that you reconsider the renewal of your membership in NARFE. It is important for NARFE to stay strong through its membership.

Sincerely,

(NAME)

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