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Board of Directors
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Dear Board of Directors Finance and Administration Committee Members:

My name is Elizabeth Ooms-Graziano and my husband Chris Graziano and I am are retirees of the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency. I have a question regarding Item #4 Recommend Approval of a Resolution Establishing a Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA) with IGOE for Retired Employees.

The revised Employee Manual was effective January 1, 2023 where retirees have the option to opt out of CalPERS medical insurance and choose either to enroll in the Agency's Health Reimbursement Account (HRA) or the cash-in-lieu option to help pay for a different medical insurance and/or other related medical expenses.

The HRA Plan with IGOE is effective March 1, 2023 and in the plan details, it shows the plan years begins January 1 and ends December 31. Will the opt out option with CalPERS be retroactive to January 1, 2023 since the revised employee manual date was January 2023? The 2023 plan year has already started and originally this item was scheduled for the December 12, 2022 F&A Committee and December 20, 2022 Board meetings, but was somehow delayed by management.

My husband and I would greatly appreciate if the effective date to opt out of CalPERS would be retroactive to January 1, 2023.

Sincerely,



Elizabeth Ooms-Graziano