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Greetings, Schenectady City School District Retiree!

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Happy end of summer and continued best wishes to all of our retirees especially to those of you who recently retired from active service. I am personally taking on my second year as SFT President and continue to gain a greater appreciation of the work that Juliet and all past presidents before me have done. Krista Hawk will be serving in her second year as a retiree chairperson on the SFT's Executive Committee and we are looking to fill the huge void left by the departure of Walt Mahoski as the retiree delegate on the district health insurance committee.

This year NYSUT's big initiative is the **FIX TIER 6 CAMPAIGN**. Many of you might remember how bad Tier 4 was when first created and the years of work that went into improving it. We are now doing that again for our Tier 6 members who will not be able to retire without penalty till the age of 62. You can learn more about the issue and actions you can take by going to FIXTIER6.ORG

This mailing is to invite you to continue your membership in 2023-24, with the Schenectady Federation of Teachers, as well as the New York State United Teachers, the American Federation of Teachers, and the National Education Association. As a Retiree Member, you are entitled to many of the benefits offered by our organization. If you have insurance policies or participate in member benefit programs through NYSUT, or any of our affiliates (AFT, NEA), being a Retiree Member of the SFT is required to retain those benefits.

The SFT Retirees dues, which are set at \$15.00/year, help pay for mailings and support other retiree services.

Please update any contact information on the attached form and send dues at your earliest convenience.
*****You only have to note changes below if this membership letter arrived at the correct address! We have enclosed an addressed envelope for your convenience when returning this form with your dues check.**

Please provide an updated email address if you have not done so already or have a new email address. For the most up to date information find us on FB (Schenectady Federation of Teachers) and follow us on twitter @SFT803.

In solidarity,

Mike Silvestri
SFT President

(Please return this form.)

Yes, I want to continue my SFT membership 2024-25! (\$15 dues check #)

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