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May 12, 2025

The Honorable Maxine Waters, Ranking Member  
Committee on Financial Services  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2221 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515-0543

Dear Representative Waters:

On behalf of the more than 2 million members of the  
National Retiree Legislative Network (NRLN), I am  
requesting that you support calling for a vote in the  
Committee on Financial Services on **H.R.2023,**  
**Women's Retirement Protection Act.**

Passage of this bill would protect women's retirement  
savings by establishing spousal protections, similar to  
those that are available for defined benefit plans for  
defined contribution plans like a 401(k). This will prevent  
one spouse from making decisions that might undermine  
a couple's retirement resources (such as loans, early  
distributions, etc.) without the other's knowledge and  
consent.

In addition, the bill would Increase financial literacy for  
women by providing grants for community-based  
organizations to help make sure women receive the  
qualified retirement benefits they are entitled to following  
a divorce or legal separation via a Qualified Domestic  
Relations Order (QDRO).

If you would like to learn more about why NRLN  
supports this bill, please contact me or Alyson Parker,  
NRLN Executive Director in Washington, DC, at  
[parkerstrategies@gmail.com](mailto:parkerstrategies@gmail.com) or call 813-545-6792.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Bill Kadereit". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly stylized font.

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