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MROO Welcomes New Travel Partner Trip Merchant

Municipal Retirees Organization Ontario Members Can Now Travel for Less

TORONTO, October 1, 2020 – Municipal Retirees Organization Ontario (MROO) is pleased to welcome its newest partner, Trip Merchant. As of October 1, over 24,000 MROO members, who are all Ontario Municipal Employees Retirement System (OMERS) pensioners, will receive member-exclusive benefits and travel information accessed through their own dedicated website, courtesy of Trip Merchant.

"Many of our members have looked forward to traveling in their retirement," said MROO president Keith Robicheau. "COVID has hampered those plans this year, but we know members will want to take advantage of Trip Merchant's services and travel again once it's safe to do so."

Trip Merchant's co-founder Ryan Mikucki agrees that there is pent-up demand for travel due to the pandemic. "Trip Merchant is excited to assist MROO members when they are ready to travel," stated Mr. Mikucki. "We look forward to developing a strong partnership with MROO and providing its members with exclusive savings and benefits that result in unique travel opportunities and experiences."

MROO members are invited to visit the Member Services section on the organization's website at <u>www.mroo.org</u> to learn more about Trip Merchant's exclusive offer for MROO members.

About Trip Merchant

Trip Merchant partners with membership-based organizations by providing them with a complimentary branded travel website dedicated to their organization. We partner with these organizations to enhance their member benefit programs. We work hard to build relationships and negotiate reduced rates on their behalf with a wide variety of travel suppliers to accommodate different travel styles, such as ocean

Protecting the pensions and enhancing the quality of life for all OMERS pensioners.

cruising, river cruising, solo travel, adventure travel, escorted tours, luxury travel and more, to provide travelers with the trip of a lifetime. For more information, please visit www.tripmerchant.com.

About Municipal Retirees Organization Ontario

Municipal Retirees Organization of Ontario (MROO) was created as a not-for-profit corporation in 1977. We speak on behalf of all Ontario Municipal Employees Retirement System (OMERS) pensioners and provide services to over 24,000 members. MROO is the largest OMERS retiree organization and the only one with membership open to retirees from all walks of local government life – former union, non-union and management employees of municipalities, police services, fire services, libraries, school boards, health units, electricity distributors, children's aid societies, and other employers in the OMERS pension plan. We are an independent, non-partisan organization formed to voice the interests of all OMERS retirees to OMERS and governments of all levels, represent our membership in legislative matters that affect retirees, and provide services that benefit our members. In addition to advocacy in favour of the OMERS pension plan and retirement income adequacy, MROO offers members health, dental, travel, home, and auto insurance coverage; scholarships for members' relatives; and ongoing communication on retirement issues. For more information and to join MROO, please visit www.mroo.org

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