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The Honorable Steve Conway Chair P.O. Box 40429 Olympia, WA 98504-042

Dear Chair Conway:

I am writing to ask you and the members of the Select Committee on Pension Policy to take action to provide for a permanent cost of living adjustment (COLA) to Plan 1 retirees.

I am also writing to thank you for the one-time COLA you securred for Plan 1 retirees like me. The COLA was a wonderful surprise and one that is surely needed. The longer that I am retired, the more I understand this. Costs go up but our ability to purchase goes down. It is surely becoming harder to carry our share abd year by year becomes a bigger issue.

With the last (and only COLA) in the ten years I have been retired, I was able to precure dental insurance. This years COLA will simply go into the general fund and pay for the basics in life.

Only a permanent COLA

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