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I retired in 2007 after teaching for 20.49 years in public schools in Washington State, and I had also taught for ten years in a private school in Washington and for six years in Massachusetts. When I retired, my pension from Washington was adequate. For the first three years of my retirement, I substituted, and also benefited from the Uniform COLA. Since the Uniform COLA was ended in 2011 up to the present, there have been only two years that a COLA was passed by the Legislature for Plan One retirees. Clearly this is not sufficient to allow retirees to keep up with the increasing costs of food and housing.

I ask that you assist those who have been retired during the last ten years and have had a Cost of Living Increase in only two of those years. Your recommendation to the Legislature that it is fair and just to grant a Plan One COLA during the 2022 Legislative Session will substantially increase the chance of success. Please support this endeavor.

Very truly yours,
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