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Dear Select Committee On Pension Policy.

I am writing to you because I understand that on Tuesday, November 16th, you will be considering a proposal to reinstate a PERMANENT Cost of Living (COLA) for PERS1 Retirees.

I cannot express to you enough how extremely important this consideration is and how I beg of you to permanently reinstate our COLA. The majority of us have been retired for quite some time (14 years for me) and the cost of living continues to increase every year, which puts us farther and farther in the catchup category.

Making this a PERMANENT SUBSTANTIAL COLA, will greatly relieve the pressure of having to worry about this annually, and the continued fight we engage in to make sure we can survive inflation.

Because there is a considerable number of us still surviving, we are a economic force to be reckoned with. We contribute generously to the Washington State economy and hope that we can continue to do that for years to come!!

So please do everything in your power to REINSTATE A PERMANENT SUBSTANTIAL COLA FOR PERS1 Retirees. We will be forever in your debt.

Sincerely, Marcella Dykes (425-359-5612)

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