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Dear Members of the Select Committee on Pension Policy:

My name is Patricia MacGowan. I retired in 2007 after 33 years of service as a science teacher and director and founder of the Washington State MESA Program designed to increase the numbers of women and underrepresented minorities in STEM fields.

I am a member of TRS Plan 1 and do not receive a statutory COLA. This has meant that my pension has not retained its purchasing power over time.

When you meet in October and November, please endorse legislation granting a Plan 1 COLA for the 2022 Legislative Session.

You are in the position to address this inequity and provide a COLA for Plan I members.

Please make a recommendation to the legislature.

Sincerely,

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