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I am writing to express support for a permanent COLA for PERS 1 retirees. The year after I retired, or perhaps it was the same year, I was surprised when the legislature revoked the COLA for PERS 1 retirees. Since then, after much hassle, there have been two one time only adjustments. Now, with inflation looming, we are concerned about our budget for the future during the retirement period. I perceive that some people feel that PERS 1 retirees had it "too good" because they could retire early and still get benefits. This was not the case for me as I retired at at 65 after working for 25 years in public service. A person does not get rich in public service but I expected a reliable retirement benefit over time. Inflation threatens that expectation. Please support your public servants by passing this permanent COLA for PERS 1.

Thank you for your service.

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