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I apologize for such a late email letter. I was intending to be present by ZOOM but my local high school, Oak Harbor High School has a substitute crisis this week and I am needed to substitute, therefore the email. I want to thank you for the opportunity to submit this email. You see I want to specifically remind my former colleagues Rep. Conway and Senator Schoesler who were present with me in 1993 and 1994 when the LEOFF 1 program both years in the debate which was passed one year and edited the second year was on the House floor. They can share with the whole committee. In the debate from the floor and the chair, educators were mentioned and referenced "something will have to be done for TRS 1 when there is a finite number". That number has been set for years, unlike LEOFF 1 little to nothing has been done for TRS 1. I am someone who has taught full time in Washington state for 34 years (plus 2 years previously in New Orleans). I retired in 2004. Plan 1 Ad Hoc COLA Proposal is coming forward, it helps so that this coming Legislative session this Committee may initiate "making good" for TRS 1 what was told would happen 29 years ago when LEOFF 1 was improved. Yes, I still substitute and I do enjoy it and the students immensely, if technology does not get the best of me. But, let's be honest it may not be too long and I am not going to be the best for students as much as I may care. 2023 marks my 53rd year working as an adult in Oak Harbor School District. The extra pay, as a substitute is an important supplement to my retirement check. Please help make good on discussions and hopes made in 1993 and 1994. Do not hesitate in contacting me if I can provide any more specifics. Sincerely, Sue Karahalios, P. O. Box 144, Oak Harbor, WA 98277 mobile phone 360 941-2476

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