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Subject: Restore permanent cost COLA to Plan 1 retirees

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I am writing to ask you and the members of the Select Committee on Pension Policy (SCC) to take immediate action to restore a permanent COLA to PERS 1 retirees.

I am very thankful for the one-time COLA you secured for PERS 1 retirees in the last legislative session but this one-time COLA does not address the inequity that we face as PERS 1 retirees. As the state's oldest retirees we continue to lose purchasing power.

I personally retired at age 62 after working for 42 year in PERS 1. I retired early to care for my significant other who was suffering from dementia. I am finding that the cost of living has increased much more than I ever expected and having the state fund a permanent COLA for PERS 1 retirees would help provide the security I need to live a comfortable life.

I hope we can count on you to embrace this request and lead the path forward to legislation to finally fix this problem.

Thank you for giving RPEC's request your consideration.

Sincerely,
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