

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2026-4687, by Representatives Bergquist, Bronoske, Griffey, Burnett, Paul, and Ormsby

1 WHEREAS, Steve Nelsen has devoted 34 years of exemplary public
2 service to the state of Washington, including 22 years of
3 distinguished service to the Law Enforcement Officers' and
4 Firefighters' (LEOFF) Plan 2 Retirement Board; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Nelsen served as the first-ever Executive Director
6 of the Law Enforcement Officers' and Firefighters' Plan 2 Retirement
7 Board and played a central role in creating, building, and
8 successfully operating the agency from its inception; and

9 WHEREAS, Throughout his tenure, Mr. Nelsen provided steady,
10 knowledgeable, and principled leadership, earning the respect and
11 trust of board members, legislators, stakeholders, and colleagues
12 across state government; and

13 WHEREAS, Working in close partnership with the Board, Mr. Nelsen
14 helped strengthen the Law Enforcement Officers' and Firefighters'
15 Plan 2 retirement system for its members and beneficiaries; and

16 WHEREAS, Mr. Nelsen made substantial contributions toward long-
17 term plan funding operations, helping to ensure the fiscal integrity,
18 sustainability, and sound governance of the Law Enforcement Officers'
19 and Firefighters' Plan 2 retirement system; and

20 WHEREAS, Through his leadership and expertise, Mr. Nelsen has
21 consistently demonstrated a deep understanding of retirement policy
22 and a commitment to honoring the service and sacrifice of
23 Washington's public safety professionals; and

