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Dear Group Insurance Board Members,

My name is Erika Daleiden and I'm an alternative education teacher in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin. I've worked here for 26 years and am a proud member of WEAC, the largest labor union in Wisconsin with tens of thousands of members working across the state to provide a great education and support services to nearly 900,000 children and teens enrolled in our public schools.

I am writing today to respectfully request that this board reconsider its past decision refusing to expand coverage for the latest FDA approved anti-obesity medications (AOMs) to ensure that Wisconsin public employee benefits reflect the importance of our work to the functioning of our state and the quality of life that encourages people to live, work, and raise families here. As you know, Wisconsin is a regional outlier in not providing these benefits to its public employees. Fundamental fairness, public health, future budget savings and competitiveness as an employer of choice should dictate that Wisconsin join its peers in providing AOM coverage where clinically indicated by one's health care provider.

Thank you for your time. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

Erika Daleiden

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"Education is the ability to listen to almost anything without losing your temper or your self-confidence."