TO: All Local 46 Members

**RE: Long Term Care Benefit**

Hello Union Family!

The Union recently mailed you information regarding the new state of Washington Long Term Care benefits and payroll tax that will be implemented on January 1, 2022. Since that mailing, the Union has received many calls requesting names of private insurers who can provide similar or better plans than what will be provided by the new state Long Term Care plan.

In order to assist members in finding a possible alternative to the state plan, we have included a brochure from Bankers Life who offers a stand-alone, Long Term Care plan for people who are **50 YEARS OLD AND OLDER**. We have been told that the application process for this plan is fairly simple and does not require a medical examination or proof of medical records. But, please remember that the pricing for long term care plans will vary depending on your age, your sex, and possible medical conditions.

If you are interested in applying for this plan you can contact either of these Bankers Life insurance agents:

 **Agent Sonja Love – 253-222-0464 or Agent Betty Lake – 206-251-6448**

For members who are under 50 years of age and who are looking for alternatives, please go to the State of Washington Insurance Commissioner website to find a list of approved insurers that sell both stand-alone long term care policies and long term care riders to a life insurance policy. Here is the link to the website: [**www.insurance.wa.gov/long-term-care-insurance-companies-approved-sell-washington-state**](http://www.insurance.wa.gov/long-term-care-insurance-companies-approved-sell-washington-state)**.**

For other general questions about the new long term care benefits offered by the state you can visit their website at [**www.wacaresfund.org**](http://www.wacaresfund.org)**.** You can also contact the following IBEW 46 Representatives who can help answer some questions: Janet Lewis, Assistant Business Manager **(****janet@ibew46.com****)**, Gillian Burlingham, Public Sector Rep. **(****gillian@ibew46.com****)**, and Keith Weir, Political Director **(****keith@ibew46.com****)**.

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