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MEMORANDUM

TO: Worcester Retirement Board
FROM: William T. Keefe, Executive Director BK
RE: Appropriation for Fiscal Year 2027
DATE: December 11, 2025

Required Fiscal Year 2027 Appropriation: **\$74,913,674**

This Commission is hereby furnishing you with the amount to be appropriated for your retirement system for Fiscal Year 2027 which commences July 1, 2026.

The allocation by governmental unit is as follows:

City of Worcester	\$69,766,442	
Housing Authority	4,960,375	(\$5,126,254 if paid monthly)
Regional Transit Authority	186,857	

The governmental unit allocation was determined based on Chapter 191 of the Acts of 1998 (An Act Authorizing the City of Worcester to Issue Pension Obligation Bonds). In accordance with section 4 of the Act, PERAC “shall increase the annual amount to be certified under Section 22 of Chapter 32 of the General Laws as the amount necessary to be paid by each governmental unit in said retirement system other than the city by each governmental unit’s proportionate share of the annual debt service expense as determined herein and shall decrease the amount to be paid by said city by an equal amount”. Our figures reflect the adjustment for the debt service (assuming July 1 and January 1 payments). The Worcester Regional Transit Authority became a member unit after the issuance of the Pension Obligation Bonds so it was not included in the debt service expense calculation

As we indicated in PERAC Memo #27/2025, we are sending this letter only to the Retirement Board. Upon receipt, please forward this letter to the appropriate governmental bodies.

If you have any questions, please contact PERAC’s Actuary, John Boorack, at (617) 666-4446 Extension 935.

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