Memorandum of Understanding

Between

SEIU 775 (the Union) and Catholic Community Services (the Employer)

Negotiations reopened for COVID-19 within the term of the Agreement

On February 29, 2020, Governor Jay Inslee issued a Proclamation declaring a state of emergency in all counties in Washington related to the COVID-19. The Proclamation by the Governor, in part, directs all agencies and departments “to do everything reasonably possible to assist affected political subdivisions in an effort to respond to and recover from the outbreak.”

The parties enter into the following agreement in response to ongoing health concerns presented by the COVID-19 virus.

1) All bargaining unit employees shall receive three dollars and fifty cents ($3.50) in addition to their base wage plus any applicable differentials for every hour worked between May 1, 2020, and June 30, 2020. Live-In and Overnight shifts are excluded.

2) All bargaining unit employees who provide care to clients verified by the employer to be COVID+ shall receive an additional twenty-five dollars ($25.00) per shift.

3) The Employer’s hourly contribution rate to the Health Benefits Trust will increase by seventy-three cents ($0.73) for hours worked between May 1, 2020 and June 30, 2020, per article 15.2 of the 2019-2021 CBA.

4) The Employer’s hourly contribution rate to the Training Partnership will increase by ten cents ($0.10) for hours worked between May 1, 2020 and June 30, 2020, per article 18.2 of the 2019-2021 CBA.

5) DSHS has made funding available to employers for PPE and supplies intended to protect workers. It is understood The Employer will use this funding, estimated at $225,000, for PPE and equipment already purchased, being used, and available to employees.

For the Union

Summer Young (electronically)

For the Employer