Memorandum of Understanding

Between

SEIU 775 (the Union) and Concerned Citizens (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 twenty-five cents ($3.25) in addition to their base wage plus any applicable differentials for every hour worked between May 1, 2020, and June 30, 2020.

2) The Employer’s hourly contribution rate to the Health Benefits Trust will increase by seventy-three cents ($0.73) for all hours worked between May 1, 2020 and June 30, 2020.

3) The Employer’s hourly contribution rate to the Training Partnership will increase by ten cents ($0.10) for all hours worked between May 1, 2020 and June 30, 2020.

4) DSHS has made funding available for PPE and supplies intended to protect workers. It is understood the Employer will use this funding for PPE and equipment already purchased, being used and available to employees.

5) This MOU will remain in effect until 11:59 pm on June 30, 2020, unless extended by mutual agreement of the parties.

For the Union  
Summer Young (electronically)

Date  
19 May 2020

For the Employer  
Linda Middleton

Date  
5-19-2020