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. On December 27, 2022 (amended on January 4, 2023), DSHS extended the funding as necessary action to the state of emergency and continue providing services to vulnerable populations during the COVID-19 pandemic.

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 one dollar and sixty-six cents ($1.66) in addition to their base wage plus any applicable differentials for every hour worked between January 1 and June 30, 2023. This compensation is for employees who are performing essential work to care for clients.

2) Employees who provide care to clients verified by the Employer to be COVID-positive shall receive three dollars ($3.00) per hours for all hours worked with COVID-positive clients.

3) The Employer will continue to provide all necessary PPE, per Washington State Labor and Industries guidelines and all local and state Department of Health recommendations, to all employees serving COVID-19 and non-COVID-19 infected clients. In any situation where an employee requires a N-95 mask according to L&I guidelines, the Employer will be responsible to cover applicable fit testing.

For the Union:  

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For the Employer:  

[Signature] Linda Middleton

Date: 1/17/2023  

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