### **AGREEMENT**

### between

### THE CITY OF QUINCY

### and the

# QUINCY LIBRARY STAFF ASSOCIATION, MLSA, LOCAL 4928, MFT, AFT, AFL-CIO

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#### **PREAMBLE**

This Agreement entered into by the City of Quincy, hereinafter referred to as the Employer, and the City of Quincy Library Department, and Quincy Library Staff Association affiliated with Massachusetts Library Staff Association, MFT, AFT, AFL-CIO, has as its purpose the promotion of harmonious relations and peaceful procedure for the resolution of differences; and the establishment of rates of pay, hours of work, and other conditions of employment.

## ARTICLE 1 Recognition

1.0. The Employer recognized the Union as the sole and exclusive bargaining agent for the purpose of establishing salaries, wages, hours of work and other conditions of employment for all regular full-time and part time employees and pages of the City of Quincy Library Department, excluding the Director, Assistant Director, Business Manager, and seasonal employees. The Employer will not aid, promote, or finance any labor group or organization which purports to engage in collective bargaining or make any agreement with any such group or individual for the purpose of undermining the Union or changing any conditions contained in this Agreement.

## ARTICLE 2 Union Dues and Agency Fees

- 2.0. The Union dues of employees covered by this Agreement will be deducted each week by the Employer from the wages of each employee covered by this Agreement who has signed an authorization form for the deduction of such dues, and presents it to the Treasurer of the City in accordance with the provisions of Section 17A of Chapter 180 of the General Laws, as amended. The amount of such dues shall be in accordance with the Constitution of the Union, as certified to the City Treasurer from time to time. The authorization of dues form on the following page shall be used.
- 2.1. In accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 150E, Chapter 180, Section 17G, the Employer agrees to deduct any agency service fee, as condition of employment, from the salary of every employee in the bargaining unit who has not executed an authorization for deduction of Union dues as provided in paragraph 1 of this Article. The Union agrees to indemnify the City for any damages which the City is required to pay an administrative agency or court of competent jurisdiction as a result of the City's compliance with this Article.

2.2. The City Treasurer shall transmit promptly each week to the Union Treasure the deducted union dues and agency fees, together with a list of the employees from whose wages such union dues and agency fees shall have been deducted. And the City Treasurer shall require of the union Treasurer such bond and in such from as shall satisfy the City Treasurer in accordance with the provisions of Section 17A and 17G of Chapter 150 of the General Laws.

AUTHORIZATION FOR PAYROLL DEDUCTION  BY: (Name of Employee)	
TO: CITY OF QUINCY  Effective, I hereby request and authorize y from my earnings each week, the current amount of dues as established by the U	
This amount shall be paid to the treasurer of QUINCY LIBRARY STAFF ASSOMLSA, MFT, AFL, AFL-CIO.	OCIATION,
These deductions may be terminated by me by giving you a 60 days written not or upon termination of my employment.	ice in advance
Employee's Signature	
Employee's Address	
Employee's Phone	

2.3. The Union agrees that said Service Fee is pursuant to a vote of a majority of all of the employees in such bargaining unit present and voting.

#### **ARTICLE 3**

#### Discrimination

3.0. There shall be no discrimination by representatives of the Employer against any employee covered by the terms of this Agreement because of race, creed, color, sex, age or on any other basis prohibited by law and that such employee shall receive the full protection of this Agreement.

## ARTICLE 4 Grievance Procedure

- 4.0. Any grievance or dispute which may arise between the parties, including the application, meaning or interpretation of this Agreement, shall be settled in the following manner:
- 4.1. Step 1. The Union Steward and/or representative, with or without the aggrieved employee, shall take up the grievance or dispute in writing with the Library Director within ten (10) working days of the date of the grievance or his/her knowledge of its occurrence. The Director shall attempt to adjust the matter and shall respond to the Steward within five (5) working days. Time periods may be extended by mutual agreement of the parties.
- 4.2. Step 2. If the grievance still remains unadjusted, it shall be presented to the Mayor, or his/her designee, in writing within five (5) working days after the response of the Director is due. The Mayor shall conduct a hearing and respond in writing within five (5) working days. Time periods may be extended by mutual agreement.
- 4.3. Step 3. If the grievance still is unsettled, either party may, within fifteen (15) days after the reply of the Mayor is due, by written notice to the other, request arbitration.
- 4.4. The arbitrator shall be selected by mutual agreement of the parties hereto. If the parties fail to agree on a selection in the first instance, the American Arbitration Association will be requested to provide a list of arbitrators from which a selection shall be made in accordance with the applicable rules of the American Arbitration Association. Expenses for the arbitrators' services shall be shared equally by the parties.
- 4.5. The arbitrator shall have the authority to settle only grievances defined herein. Any grievance appealed to an arbitrator over which s/he shall have no power to add to rule shall be referred back to the parties without a decision. The arbitrator shall have no power to add to, subtract from, or modify the terms of this Agreement. The decision of the arbitrator shall be legal and binding upon the parties.

- 4.6. Employees covered by Civil Service must at Step 2 of this procedure elect whether or not they desire to proceed to binding arbitration hereunder or exercise their rights under General Laws, Chapter 31, Sections 43, 45, and 46. Employees must choose grievance procedure or Civil Service in writing.
- 4.7. Working days as used in this article shall refer to Mondays through Fridays, excluding holidays as defined in Article 13.

## ARTICLE 5 Discipline

- 5.0. Employees shall have the right to have Union Steward or representative present in any disciplinary action warning or reprimand.
- 5.1 Reprimand of an employee shall be done in a manner so as not to embarrass the employee.
- 5.2 Employee's personnel file shall be available to the employee for review. An employee may have a Union representative accompany him/her during such review. Upon request, the employee shall be furnished with a reproduction of any material in his/her file. The employer may charge the employee ten (10) cents per page after fifteen (15) pages.
- 5.3 No negative material shall be placed in an employee's file unless first shown to the employee. The employee will acknowledge that s/he has had the opportunity to review such material by signing the copy to be filed with the express understanding that such signature indicates merely that s/he has seen it and in no way indicates agreement with the content thereof. The employee shall have the right to submit a response to the material, which shall also be included in the file.

## ARTICLE 6 Layoffs

- 6.0. In the event that the City deems it necessary to lay off employees, the following procedures shall apply:
  - (a) The City shall determine those positions which are to be abolished.
  - (b) The least senior employee with the same job title as the position to be abolished shall be laid off first.
  - (c) An employee to be laid off may bump a less senior employee in a lower classification where the employee so bumping is qualified to perform the less senior employee's job.

- (d) Any employee bumped may similarly exercise bumping rights.
- (e) Employees shall be entitled to be recalled in inverse order of the layoff to positions for which they are qualified for a period of two (2) years.
- (f) During an employee's recall period, when a position covered by this agreement becomes vacant, the employee on layoff shall be entitled to bid for such position as if said employee were employed in accordance with the provisions of Article 20, Job Positing & Bidding. An employee on layoff shall exercise notice of recall from the City on one occasion, thereafter employees shall be responsible for advising the City of the employee's desire to fill a vacancy pursuant to recall. An employee who declines recall to the job from which the employee was laid off shall not be eligible thereafter for recall. An employee may decline recall to a position other than the one from which the employee was laid off and continue to be eligible for recall during the recall period.
- (g) Employees who are recalled will be credited with prior continuous service for the purposes of seniority, and shall be afforded all rights and benefits they held prior to being laid off (provided such rights and benefits have not been altered in ensuing collective bargaining agreements). In such instances, the employee will be afforded rights and benefits in accordance with the Agreement in place at the time of his/her recall.

## ARTICLE 7 Seniority

- 7.0. The length of service of the employee in the bargaining unit shall determine the seniority of the employee.
- 7.1. The principle of seniority for qualified employees shall govern and control in all cases of promotion within the bargaining unit, transfer, as well as preference in assignment to shift work, and choice of vacation period.

## ARTICLE 8 Overtime

8.0. Employees covered by this Agreement shall be paid overtime at the rate of one and one-half times (1  $\frac{1}{2}$ ) the regular rate of pay for work in excess of the normal work day or work week, or if the employees shall so request they shall be granted compensatory time off calculated at the rate of one and one-half (1  $\frac{1}{2}$ ) hours for each hour worked in excess of the normal work day or work week. Overtime will be assigned on a rotating basis within the department. In the event no one from the affected department is available, overtime will be made available to regular substitutes and then other qualified employees.

- 8.1. Employees who have left their place of employment on completion of their assigned work schedule who are recalled for overtime work before their next scheduled starting time shall be guaranteed a minimum of four (4) hours overtime pay.
- 8.2. Working schedules shall not be changed for the purpose of avoiding overtime.
- 8.3. Any employee obligated to work on any emergency closing (e.g. a day closed, late start, or early closing due to storm, power failure, or other emergency situation) shall be paid overtime at the rate of time and one half (1  $\frac{1}{2}$ ) times the regular rate of pay for the number of hours worked, or if the employee shall so request they shall be granted compensatory time off calculated at the rate of one and one half (1  $\frac{1}{2}$ ) times the hours worked. Employees shall be compensated at the rate of time and one half for time spent shoveling snow during emergency closings.

## ARTICLE 9 Weekend Differential

- 9.0. Except for pages and college aides who work 12 hours or less per week and all part-time employees who work 12 hours or less per week, all employees whose schedule includes work on Saturday shall be paid (as of July 1, 2013) \$7.00 per hour for the number of Saturday hours worked in addition to their regular hourly pay.
- 9.1. Sunday hours at time and one half will exclude part-time employees who work on Sundays.
- 9.2. All Sunday hours shall be voluntary. An employee shall elect either Compensatory Time or Premium Pay for Sunday hours. Compensatory time for Sunday hours shall translate into the hours of one full time day and shall be used within one (1) calendar year. Sunday hours shall be for a minimum of four (4) continuous hours.

Easter Sunday shall be considered a holiday.

Employees shall volunteer in three (3) month intervals. Volunteer staff who do not work in a Sunday staffed department (including, but not limited to, Technical Services, some branches, etc.) will be assigned to a department for the purpose of Sunday shifts. Where more than one employee desires a given Sunday, seniority shall be the deciding factor in accordance with the following:

- There will be a cap of six (6) Sundays assigned to an employee over a three (3) month period.
- After an employee has been assigned six (6) Sundays in a three (3) month period, less senior employees will be offered Sunday hours (based on the six (6) Sunday cap over a three (3) month period).

The Sunday schedule shall be posted. Employees shall have the option to change Sunday hours with another employee.

If there are not sufficient volunteers, the City shall hire special Sunday substitutes.

If an employee voluntarily relinquishes one of their six (6) Sundays, they shall not be entitled to select another Sunday in that three (3) month period.

Permanent full-time employees who volunteer and work six Sundays in any three-month Sunday schedule interval [non-rolling], shall have one (1) day added to their personal time, up to a maximum of three (3) days per year. Such accumulated leave must be requested at least twenty-four (24) hours in advance (except in the case of an emergency or other unusual circumstance) and taken in the fiscal year in which it is earned and credited.

9.3 During the period of June 30<sup>th</sup> to the weekend before Labor Day (library closed Labor Day weekend) employees hired before 7/1/06 may work weekend hours on a voluntary basis. Full-time employees hired after 7/1/06 will work two Saturdays a month year 'round but summer Sundays will remain voluntary. Such hours during this period shall be: Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Sunday 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

### ARTICLE 10 Shift Differential

- 10.0. Except for pages and college aides initially hired after the execution of this agreement who work 12 hours or less per week and all part-time staff hired after 7/1/06, all employees whose schedule includes work after 5:00 P.M. shall be paid (as of July 1, 2013) \$4.00 per hour for the hours worked after 5:00 P.M. in addition to their regular hourly pay.
- 10.1. The shift differential for the designated night custodian at the Main Library shall apply to his/her total forty (40) hour work week, even though his/her night shift begins before 5:00 p.m. For night custodians hired after 7/1/06, shift differential begins at 5pm.

### ARTICLE 11 Hours of Work

- 11.0. The number of hours in the full-time work week, as presently established, shall remain in effect: thirty-five (35) hours a week for all employees, except for custodial and full-time safety officers who full-time work week shall be forty (40) hours a week.
- 11.1. Changes in work schedules shall be made only if they are mutually agreed upon by the Union and the Employer.
- 11.2. A rest period of not less than ten (10) minutes in each half shift shall be included in the work schedules of all employees. Employees may leave the premises during rest periods.
- 11.3. All employees who for any reason work beyond their regular quitting time shall be given a meal break before they begin such work, and they shall be given the rest periods occurring during such working hours.
- 11.4. Custodial and security employees shall have a paid meal period of not more than 30 minutes for each whole shift. Such employees shall be on call during meal periods.
- 11.5. The Library shall be closed on those days when Quincy City Hall is closed due to inclement weather. After 5:00PM on weekdays, or on Saturdays and Sundays, the Library Director, in consultation with the library Board of Trustees, will have discretion to close the library in the event of inclement weather or an emergency. The Library will take reasonable efforts to notify employees of any such closures. Employees will be paid for such days without any charge to annual and/or personal leave.
- 11.6. The Library will be closed to the public one (1) full day and three half-days per year for the purpose of staff development. A half-day is defined as four hours. The Employer shall notify the Union which half-days will be utilized for staff development at least sixty (60) days prior to said days. Employees may be required to alter their work schedule in order to participate in staff development days.
- 11.7. A committee comprised of three individuals representing the Union and three individuals representing the Library shall be created to review staffing levels and employee schedules for the purposes of determining whether or not it is feasible for employees being required to only work one night per workweek and one Saturday per month. This committee shall hold its first meeting by October 1, 2013.

#### **ARTICLE 12**

### **Union Representatives**

- 12.0. The Union shall furnish the Employer with a written list of Union stewards and other representatives immediately after the designation of such representatives. And the Union shall notify the employer of any changes in list of representatives.
- 12.1. The Union Stewards and other representatives shall be granted a reasonable amount of time off with pay during working hours to investigate and settle grievances, and to attend meetings of local, state or national bodies without loss of pay.

### ARTICLE 13 Holidays

13.0. All full-time employees covered by this contract shall receive regular compensation for the following holidays:

½ day before New YearsPatriots DayNew Years DayVeteran's DayMartin Luther King, Jr. DayThanksgiving Day

Presidents Day Day after Thanksgiving

Memorial Day Columbus Day/Indigenous People's Day

Labor Day ½ Day before Christmas

Independence Day Christmas Day

Juneteenth

or the day following when any of the above holidays occur on Sunday.

- 13.1. Regular compensation for a full day holiday shall consist of one-fifth (1/5) of an employee's regular week's pay. Regular compensation for a half-day holiday shall consist of one-tenth (1/10) of an employee's regular week's pay.
- 13.2. Any employee obligated to work any of the above holidays shall receive both regular compensation for the holiday and, at the discretion of the employee, either additional time off at the rate of time and one half  $(1 \frac{1}{2})$  for the number of hours worked, or additional pay at the rate of time and one half  $(1 \frac{1}{2})$  for the number of hours worked.
- 13.3. When any of the above holidays occur on any of an employee's regular days off, the employee shall receive, at the discretion of the employee, either regular compensation for the holiday or compensatory time off in the amount on one-fifth (1/5) of the number of hours in the

employee's regular work week in the case of a full-day holiday, or compensatory time off in the amount of one-tenth (1/10) of the number of hours in the employee's regular work week in the case of a half-day holiday.

- 13.4. At the discretion of the Mayor, regular compensation shall be received by those employees who wish to participate in a religious obligation and who make prior written request through the Director of Libraries to the Mayor.
- 13.5. In the event the Mayor declares a special holiday or "skeleton day" for all City Hall and Public Works employees, the employees covered by this contract shall be required to work if the Director of Libraries so determines, but the employees thus required to work shall receive their regular pay for that day, and in addition, they shall receive, at the discretion of the Director of Libraries, either compensatory time off in the amount of the number of hours worked or additional pay at the straight time for the number of hours worked.
- 13.6. The library shall close at 5:00 p.m. on the evening before Thanksgiving and the evening before the Fourth of July. Employees regularly scheduled to work 1:00 p.m. -9:00 p.m. shall work 9:00 a.m. -5:00 p.m.
- 13.7. If the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday falls on a Friday or a Saturday the library will be closed Friday through Sunday. If the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday falls on a Sunday or Monday, the library will be closed Saturday through Monday.

## ARTICLE 14 Vacations

- 14.0. The policy hereby set forth shall cover all persons covered by this Agreement. "Regularly employed" shall be interpreted to mean an employee hired to fill a permanent opening, or an employee hired to fill a temporary opening when such employment extends beyond continuous thirty (30) week period. Part-time employees whose hours of work are regularly scheduled shall be included on a prorated basis.
- 14.1. Every employee, as defined above, of the City of Quincy, except as hereinafter provided, shall be granted a vacation of two (2) weeks in each fiscal year if s/he has actually worked for the City of Quincy for thirty (30) weeks in the aggregate, to be credited January 1 of each year (to be implemented according to Union's proposal (8/27/98) Vacation day carryover illustration of maximum accrual). In the scheduling vacation, preferences should be given employees on the basis of years of employment in the department, whenever possible.

- 14.2. Regular employees who have less than thirty (30) weeks of service shall be granted vacation pro-rated to their term of employment as follows:
  - Vacation credit shall accrue at the rate of one (1) day for each five (5) week period.
- 14.3. Part-time employees whose hours of work follow a regular schedule shall be granted vacation weeks on the same schedule as full-time employees pro-rated to their hours of work.
- 14.4. Professional employees shall be granted four (4) weeks of paid vacation in their first through twentieth years, and five (5) weeks of paid vacation in their twenty-first year and thereafter. Employees with master degree in library science shall be eligible for the professional vacation.
- 14.5. All other employees shall be granted two (2) weeks of paid vacation in their first through fifth years, three (3) weeks of paid vacation in their sixth through tenth years, four (4) weeks of paid vacation in their eleventh through twentieth years, and five (5) weeks of paid vacation in their twenty-first year and thereafter. Effective July 1, 1991, all employees with twenty-five years of more of service shall be eligible for six (6) weeks paid vacation in each fiscal year.
- 14.6. Any person returning to the employ of the City after military leave shall be entitled to have the time of his/her military service counted as time actually worked in the employ of the City if s/he is not otherwise eligible for such vacation because s/he has not actually worked for a sufficient time; provided that said military service shall be so counted only with respect to the vacation of such person in the year of his/her return, and in the next following year if his/her vacation is based on time worked in previous year.
- 14.7. Employees who have fulfilled requirements for a vacation and whose service is terminated by dismissal through no fault or delinquency on their part, or by resignation or retirement, or death, without their having been granted vacation to which they are entitled, shall be paid an amount equal to the employee's current rate of pay in lieu of the vacation due.
- 14.8. Vacations shall not be cumulative, except that an employee may carry over one (1) year's accumulation into the next year.
- 14.9. If a holiday credit falls within the vacation period, it shall not count as part of the vacation allowance.
- 14.10. Employees may use vacation in increments of one-half (1/2) days.

## ARTICLE 15 Sick Leave

15.0. Persons hired prior to June 17, 2013 shall be entitled to paid sick leave at the rate of eighteen (18) days per calendar year to be credited on January 1. For employees of less than one year of service, sick leave shall be accumulated at the rate of 1-1/2 days per month.

Persons hired by the City after June 17, 2013 shall be entitled to paid sick leave at the rate of fifteen (15) days per calendar year to be credited on January 1. For those employees hired after June 17, 2013 with less than one year service, sick leave shall be accumulated at the rate of 1 \( \frac{1}{4} \) days per month.

Sick leave shall be pro-rated for part-time employees whose hours of work follow a regular schedule, the pro-rating being calculated as follows:

Take one – fifth (1/5) of the number of hours of work per week, multiply by three halves (3/2) and the result gives the number of hours of pro-rated sick leave accumulated per month.

- 15.1. No sick leave will be allowed during the first month of employment. Credit will be deposited on the first day of the month following the first full month of employment.
- 15.2. If an employee is absent five (5) days or more, chargeable to sick leave, who has repeated absences of short duration, a statement from the employee's physician may be required, such statement to give the nature of the illness and the expected duration. In order for sick leave to be allowed, an employee must notify the library on the first day of absence. Sick leave notification may be reported by the employee, his/her family or physician.
- 15.3. Effective July 1, 2008, an employee who retires from his/her position with the City or dies while employed by the City shall receive a cash payment of \$50.00 per day for the number of sick days of his/her unused, accumulated sick leave credited to him/her on the date of his/her retirement or the date of his/her death. In the event of death, payment shall be made to the beneficiary, or to his/her estate.
- 15.4. Membership in the pension system shall not be required for sick leave pay-off.
- 15.5. Any employee who received compensation pursuant to the Worker's Compensation Law may, in addition, draw upon his/her accumulated sick leave, at his/her option, the difference between the payment made to him/her pursuant to Worker's Compensation and his/her normal weekly salary to the extent of its accumulation.

- 15.6. The Library shall present to the employee the amount of his/her accumulated sick leave twice a year.
- 15.7. Sick leave may be used for medical and dental appointments.
- 15.8. Sick leave may be taken to care for an ill member of the immediate family, with the approval of the Library Director. Medical documentation may be required in accordance with section 15.2.
- 15.9. Upon application for additional sick leave by a seriously ill permanent full-time or permanent part-time employee who has at least one (1) year of service with the City and who has exhausted all available leave, the Library Director shall determine the eligibility of such an employee to receives additional sick leave following a review of adequate medical evidence of serious illness. A statement from the employee's physician may be required, giving the nature of the illness and the expected duration. Following favorable determination of eligibility, each permanent full-time member of the bargaining unit who has been employed by the City for at least one (1) year and who has accumulated at least eighteen (18) days of sick leave at the time of determination of eligibility may voluntarily transfer up to five (5) days of his/her accumulated sick leave to such employee. All such transfers shall be confidential.
- 15.10. Permanent full-time and permanent part-time employees with perfect attendance at work in any four (4) calendar months (one hundred twenty [120] day) period shall have one (1) day added to their personal time, up to a maximum of three (3) days per year. The taking of a personal day allowed under this contract or any voluntary transfer of sick leave permitted under this Article shall not interrupt the employee's perfect attendance record. Such accumulated leave must be requested at least twenty-four (24) hours in advance (except in the case of an emergency or other unusual circumstance), and taken in the fiscal year in which it is earned and credited.

## **ARTICLE 16 Maternity Leave/Paternity Leave**

- 16.0. A leave of absence without pay will be granted for a period of up to six (6) months after date of delivery. Such leave may be taken any time after the sixth (6<sup>th</sup>) month of pregnancy or such other time as the employee's physician certifies, in writing, to the Director. Upon expiration of said leave, the employee shall be reinstated at her former job classification to the same or substantially similar position in the Library.
- 16.1. Employees shall notify the Director when they intend to return to work at least two (2) weeks prior thereto.

- 16.2. This section shall apply to adoptive parents.
- 16.3. Accrued sick leave benefits shall be provided for maternity leave purposes under the same terms and conditions which apply to other temporary medical disabilities.

## ARTICLE 17 Jury Pay

17.0. The Employer agrees to make up the difference in an employee's wages between a normal week's wages and compensation received for jury duty.

## ARTICLE 18 Funeral Leave

- 18.0. Leave with pay, not to exceed five (5) days, shall be granted to all employees covered by this Agreement in the event of the death of the following: spouse, child, parent, brother, sister.
- 18.1. Leave with pay, not to exceed three (3) days, shall be granted to all employees covered by this Agreement in the event of death of the following: grandparent, parent-in-law, aunt, uncle, niece, nephew, or any person living in the employee's immediate household.
- 18.2. Leave with pay, not to exceed one (1) day, shall be granted to all employees covered by this Agreement in the event of death of the following: a member of the employee's family not so specified above, a friend, or an employee of the department. Employees may be denied funeral leave for the death of an employee of the department if allowance of the leave would lead to the disruption of services.

## **ARTICLE 19 Military Leave**

19.0. Leave for military duty shall be without loss of regular rate of pay, in accordance with Section 52A of Chapter 149 of the General Laws.

## ARTICLE 20 Job Posting and Bidding

20.0. When a position covered by this Agreement becomes vacant, such a vacancy shall be posted in a conspicuous place listing the pay, duties, and qualifications. The Union representative shall be notified in writing at the time of posting. This notice of vacancy shall

remain posted for seven (7) days. Employees interested shall apply in writing within the seven day period. Within ten (10) working days of expiration of the posting period, the Employer will award the position. When awarding the position, the Employer will consider the applicants' qualifications, experience, and job performance. Where qualifications are equal, seniority shall be the determining factor. Employees promoted shall be placed in step in grade, in accordance with years of service.

In the event no applicant is selected within ten (10) working days, the applicant(s) will be notified and informed of the delay and cause. Management and the Union will agree on the additional search period needed to fill the position.

- 20.1. a. Employees working in a higher classification at the request of the Library Director, or their designee, shall be compensated at the applicable higher rate of pay.
- b. Employees substituting for administrators and/or supervisors shall retain all rights and benefits (other than salary) they are granted in accordance with the terms set forth in collective bargaining agreements.
- c. Once their term as a substitute concludes, the employee will return to their normal position, will be credited with their prior continuous service for the purpose of seniority, and shall be afforded all rights and benefits they held previously.

## ARTICLE 21 Bulletin Board

21.0. A bulletin board shall be provided for the use of the Union.

## **ARTICLE 22 Group Insurance**

22.0. The parties agree that group health insurance and contribution rates shall be provided in accordance with the Memorandum of Agreement entered into by the City of Quincy and the Public Employee Committee (PEC) that took effect on July 1, 2018.

## ARTICLE 23 Management Rights

23.0. The Union recognizes the right of the City and its representative to manage the City and the Library and direct employees covered by this Agreement in accordance with their responsibilities, including but not limited to the generality of the foregoing, the right to select

and hire employees, the right to discipline, suspend or discharge employees for just cause and the right to promulgate reasonable rules and regulations provided that such rights shall not be executed in conflict with this Agreement.

### ARTICLE 24 Severability

24.0. Should any provision of this Agreement contain a conflict with a municipal personnel ordinance, by law, rule or regulation or any statute as defined in General Laws, Chapter 150E, Section 7, the terms of this Agreement shall prevail.

## ARTICLE 25 No Strike

25.0. No public employee or employee organization shall engage in a strike, and no public employee organization shall induce, encourage, or condone any strike, work stoppage, slowdown, or withholding or services, in accordance with General Laws Chapter 150E, Section 9A.

## **ARTICLE 26 Working Area Conditions**

- 26.0. Clean, well lit, air conditioned, heated, and well ventilated work areas shall be provided for all employees.
- 26.1. Lounge area, first aid provisions, including a cot, rest rooms for the exclusive use of employees and office equipment in good working order, shall be provided by the Employer.
- 26.2. Extreme Temperature Relief. The City recognizes the potential stresses caused by extreme temperatures in the work environment. To reduce the potential for temperature-related issues, the following procedures shall be followed.

In order to measure temperature effectively, the library will provide working thermometers in all staff areas.

When the inside temperature in any library building goes beyond the optimal operative range of 55°F and 85°F, the library will grant temperature relief to employees in that area.

When temperature relief is granted at the Main Library, employees in an affected area will be granted time away from the affected area in one-hour intervals. Staff will then work in an unaffected area of the library while staff from unaffected areas will cover their position.

When temperature relief is granted at a branch library, the branch will be closed. If there is less than one hour remaining in the work day, the branch employees will be permitted to go home with no reduction in pay. If there is more than one hour left in the work day, the branch employees will be assigned to another unaffected library location.

- 26.3. An emergency signaling device will be made available in appropriate areas of the main library.
- 26.4. When there is exposure to harmful, unsafe, toxic, and/or poisonous gasses in a work area, affected employees shall be relocated to another area in the library where said conditions don't exist. If there are no such areas employees will be allowed to leave without loss of pay or leave time.

## ARTICLE 27 Uniform Allowance

- 27.0. Uniform shirts shall be provided by the City for the custodial staff and safety officers staff. Custodians may wear shorts for outside work when the temperature and humidity so dictate. An annual stipend of \$350.00 per safety officer and custodial member shall be provided by the City for boots and/or foul weather gear of the member's choosing. Effective July 1, 2023 an annual stipend of \$375.00 per safety officer and custodial member shall be provided by the City for boots and/or foul weather gear of the member's choosing. Effective July 1, 2024 an annual stipend of \$400.00 per security and custodial member shall be provided by the City for boots and/or foul weather gear of the member's choose. Said amounts shall be provided annually in the month of July.
- 27.1. Said uniforms are to be worn when staff are on duty.

## **ARTICLE 28 Miscellaneous**

- 28.0. As defined in G.L. Chapter 31, Section 33, all employees re-employed by the City shall receive credit for previous service.
- 28.1. Established practices and policies shall be maintained at no less than current standards.

- 28.2. After working one (1) week at a higher classification, an employee shall be paid at the higher rate of the higher classification.
- 28.3. The City agrees to provide an electronic copy of the contract.
- 28.4. Library Staff using their own vehicles will be reimbursed at the IRS mileage rate for travel between branches during the work day and to library meetings and outreach program locations.
- 28.5. All benefits of this Agreement shall be pro-rated for all part-time employees covered by this Agreement, including step rate placement as specified in Appendix A-5. As of 7/1/06, part-time employees who work fewer than 20 hours per week are excluded from accruing sick time, vacation time and personal time. Step raises remain in effect for these employees.
- 28.6. Job descriptions of all positions in the Library Department shall, in cooperation with the Union, be promulgated by the Director of Libraries on or before December 1, 2013.

The revised job descriptions will not necessarily result in any upgrades on the salary schedule.

- 28.7. Employees' personal property, such as eyeglasses, shall be replaced by the City if damaged in the line of duty.
- 28.8. The City shall provide leave and funds to be made available to any employee covered by this Agreement, when the Director of Libraries shall approve the employee taking courses, attending conferences, seminars or workshops, directly related to improving the employee's performance, but not limited to the field in which the employee is assigned at T.C.P.L. For this purpose the City shall provide a total of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) annually.
- 28.9. The City agrees to consult with the Police Chief in regard to security at the libraries as may be required.
- 28.10. Accumulated time shall be presented to employees twice each year.

#### 28.11. Probationary Period

All new employees will serve a probationary period of six months. An employee may be dismissed at any time during this period if the director judges this to be in the best interest of the library.

28.12. In the event that travel time between the Main Branch and the North Quincy Branch exceeds fifteen (15) minutes, said bargaining unit members shall contact administration and appropriate coverage will be arranged.

### ARTICLE 29 Longevity

29.0. Effective July 1, 2022, employees who attain the required years of service shall be paid on July first of each year and annual payment in accordance with the following schedule. Those payments shall be pro-rated for retirees for the months worked.

Annual payment on July 1
\$575.00
\$725.00
\$875.00
\$1,025.00
\$1,225.00

29.1. Longevity shall be paid in a separate check.

## ARTICLE 30 Tax-Sheltered Annuity

30.0. So as to provide for a non-forfeitable annuity, payable upon retirement or termination of employment, and employee may contract with the City for the purchase of an annuity pursuant to Section 37B of Chapter 71 of the G.L. of Massachusetts as part of his/her employment compensation. Such contract shall specify the premiums to be paid toward the annuity and the benefits payable thereunder.

### ARTICLE 31 Wages

31.0. Wages shall be established as set forth in Appendices A-1, A-2, A-3, A-4 and A-5 attached hereto and made part hereof.

The Wages of employees shall be increased as follows:

Effective July 1, 2022 – 3% Effective July 1, 2023 – 3%

Effective July 1, 2024 – 3%

Should during the life of this agreement any City unit reach an agreement with the City for a financial increase greater than that provided the Library unit; the parties agree to reopen the collective bargaining agreement for the purpose of discussing finances.

## **ARTICLE 32 Labor-Management Meetings**

- 32.0. Labor-management meeting shall be arranged to be held regularly at least twice a year, for the purpose of administering the Agreement. These meetings shall not be used for contract negotiations or grievances. In order to limit the business of these meetings to matters of contract administration, agenda items are to consist of citations of specific articles or parts of articles of the contract and the specific questions relating to those parts of the contract.
- 32.1. Either party may initiate meetings, and the meetings shall take place after consultation and mutual agreement with the other party as to agenda, sufficient notice, date, etc. Labor members at the meetings shall consist of the Chapter Chair, and two (2) persons of the Chair's choice, and the management members at the meetings shall consist of the Director and two (2) persons of the Director's choice.

### ARTICLE 33 Personal Days

- 33.0. All employees will be granted three (3) personal days of paid leave (non-cumulative) each calendar year.
- 33.1. Such leave must be requested at least twenty-four (24) hours in advance except in case of emergency or other unusual circumstances.
- 33.2. Personal leave may be used in one (1) hour increments.

## **ARTICLE 34 Drug – Testing**

- 35.0. The Union accepts the City's right to test its members for drugs, such testing shall be based upon reasonable suspicion. Such testing procedures shall be worked out by a committee of equal Union and Management members and shall be consistent with other City contracts.
- 35.1. Effective July 1, 2023, all bargaining unit members agree to follow the attached drug and alcohol policy.

## **ARTICLE 35 Employee Evaluation**

36.0. The Union and Management, with membership, shall set up a committee to set up criteria for Employee Evaluations.

## **ARTICLE 36 Duration of the Agreement**

July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2025

## **ARTICLE 37 Remote Work**

37.0. The Employer may permit employees to work remotely or in a hybrid work model (combination of remote and in-person work) when the employee's job duties are capable of being completed remotely. The employer retains discretion to deny an employee's request to work remotely or in a hybrid work model for reasons, including but not limited to, job performance, staffing needs, and library operations. The language in this Article will not supersede and/or eliminate the language in Article 8.3

AGREEMENT entered into this	day of	, 2023
CITY OF QUINCY		STAFF ASSOCIATION, 8, MFT, AFT, AFL-CIO
By: Thomas P. Koch, Mayor	By:	
By: Sara Slymon, Library Director	-	

### APPENDIX A-1 Professional Employees

### Librarian I

Includes Library Intern (enrollment in an ALA-accredited MLS program required).

#### Librarian II

Includes positions such as Children's, Adult Services, and Generalist Librarians (ALA-accredited MLS required).

### Librarian III

#### Librarian IV

Includes Branch Librarians (ALA-accredited MLS).

#### Librarian V

Includes positions with some system-wide responsibility, such as Collection Development & Technical Services Supervisor, Circulation Services Supervisor, Information and Outreach Services Supervisor, Literacy Program Manager, Local History Services Supervisor, and Coordinator of Children's Services.

#### **APPENDIX A-2**

### **Paraprofessional Employees**

#### Paraprofessional III

Includes Library Assistant and Safety Officer (high school diploma required).

### Paraprofessional V

Includes Senior Library Assistants with general duties (bachelor's degree preferred).

### Paraprofessional VI

Includes Senior Library Assistants with specialized duties such as Senior Library Assistant for Information Technology, Senior Library Assistant for Acquisitions, and Bilingual Senior Library Assistant (bachelor's degree required).

### Paraprofessional VII

Includes Literacy/ESOL Program Assistant (bachelor's degree with training in ESOL teaching and/or adult education required).

### Paraprofessional VIII

Includes paraprofessional positions such as Administrative Assistant and Circulation/Adult Services Assistant, with supervisory authority over other paraprofessional employees and/or administrative responsibilities such as payroll and/or accounts payable (bachelor's degree required).

## **APPENDIX A-3 Custodial Employees**

### **Building Custodian**

High school diploma or equivalency required.

### **Senior Building Custodian**

High school diploma or equivalency required.

### **Supervisor of Custodians**

High School diploma or equivalency required; Associate's degree or completion or post-high school technical program preferred.

## APPENDIX A-4 Educational Differentials

All paraprofessional employees who have either any Associate's degree from any accredited school, or any sixty (60) hours of courses from any accredited undergraduate school, or eighteen (18) hours of courses in library science or library technology shall receive an annual differential of Five hundred twenty dollars (\$520.00).

All paraprofessional employees who have either any baccalaureate degree, or any one hundred twenty (120) hours of courses from any accredited undergraduate schools, or thirty-six (36) hours of courses in library science or library technology, shall receive an annual differential of One thousand forty (\$1,040).

All paraprofessional employees who have an ALA-accredited MLS shall receive an annual differential of Two thousand eighty dollars (\$2,080.00).

Any full-time employee with a non-librarian Master's degree will receive a differential of \$750.00 per year. Any full-time employee with an earned Doctorate will receive \$1,500.00 per year.

An employee will receive only one educational differential, whichever is higher.

### **APPENDIX A-5**

### **WAGE SCALES**

### **APPENDIX B**

#### **DRUG & ALCOHOL TESTING**

### I. PURPOSE

The City and the Union recognize that the use of illegal drugs and misuse of legal drugs, including alcohol, is a source of danger in the workplace and a threat to the City's goal of maintain a productive and safe work environment. The City discourages users of illegal drugs and mis-users of legal drugs, including alcohol, from seeking employment with the City and encourages very forcefully the rehabilitation of such persons already in its employ. While the City of Quincy has no intention of intruding into the private lives of its employees, the City does expect employees to report for work in a condition to perform their duties.

#### II. PROHIBITED CONDUCT

- A. The following conduct shall constitute an offense under this Article.
- 1. The use, transfer, manufacture, sale or unauthorized possession of any illegal/incapacitating drug when not related to the lawful performance of the employee's duties.
- 2. The use or unauthorized possession of alcohol during working hours, or while using City vehicles or facilities, and when not related to the lawful performance of the employee's duties.
- 3. Driving or performing any other job duty while on duty under the influence of alcohol or illegal/incapacitating drugs.
- 4. Employees who record a blood alcohol level at or above 0.04 will be sent home on sick leave. Reporting to or staying at work with the metabolite of an illegal/incapacitating drug in the blood, with the blood alcohol level 0.04, or above or impaired by drugs or alcohol shall constitute a violation of this policy.
- B. Any employee who is arrested for a drug-related offense or convicted of a drug-related crime must notify their Supervisor prior to reporting to duty, irrespective of whether the conduct occurred during working time. Any employee who is charged with driving while intoxicated whose duties include driving, must notify their Supervisor prior to reporting to duty, irrespective of whether the conduct occurred during work time. Notice should be provided as soon as practicable from the time that the employee arrested or convicted.
- C. Supervisors who have "reasonable suspicion" of any conduct prohibited under this section based upon the standard for specific, observable phenomena listed below in Part IV(A)(2) shall not permit the employee to perform assigned duties and shall report such violations up the chain of command. Such employee may be placed on administrative leave by the Supervisor or designee. A supervisor may be subject to discipline for failing to report a known violation.

#### III. PROHIBITED DRUGS

For the purposes of this Article, prohibited drugs include all substances included in Schedules I through III of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. §812). Included among those drugs by way of example are marijuana, cocaine, opiates, phencyclidine (PCP), amphetamines and methamphetamines. Possession of a controlled substance without a doctor's prescription or other legal authorization violates this Article and may be illegal. If (1) Marijuana is removed as a Controlled Substance (21 U.S.C. §812), and (2) employees are not otherwise prohibited from using marijuana—then marijuana shall be removed from the listing of examples of prohibited drugs in this paragraph, and the standard for an infraction relating to marijuana use under this Article shall be whether the employee on worktime either (a) used marijuana, or (b) is impaired by marijuana as determined by applicable state or federal law. Use of marijuana pursuant to a prescription issued by a licensed provider ("medical marijuana") shall be permissible so long as the employee's use is consistent with the two criteria noted in the preceding sentence.

The word "prescription" as used herein relates to prescription drugs that are controlled substance. An employee who is taking a controlled substance under a valid prescription should check with his physician to ensure that the medication will not interfere with the employee's ability to perform job functions safely and efficiently. Abuse of validly obtained prescription drugs will be treated in the same manner as abuse of alcohol. Abuse of prescription drugs in all other cases will be treated as abuse of illegal/incapacitating drugs.

#### IV. DRUG AND ALCOHOL TESTING

- A. Employees are required to submit to drug and/or alcohol testing in the following situations:
  - 1. Reasonable Suspicion of Drug and/or Alcohol Use:
- a. When the City has reasonable suspicion that an employee has reported to work or is working while impaired by drugs or alcohol, or has used illegal drugs, the City will direct the employee to report for a drug and/or alcohol test.
- b. The determination of "reasonable suspicion" shall be made based on specific, objectively identifiable phenomena, that is directly observed such as:
  - on-duty alcohol use or possession;
  - on-duty use or possession of illegal drugs;
  - the display of behaviors which appear to be indicative of the use of any illegal drug or alcohol, and are not attributable to other factors, specifically a pattern of abnormal conduct, erratic behavior or deteriorating work performance, frequent absenteeism where (for purposes of this Article only) absences exceed 18 sick days in a year and, where required, are not substantiated by a medical provider's note per the collective bargaining agreement, excessive tardiness, or frequent accidents, arrest, indictment, or conviction for a drug-related offense; and/or,

- behavior which is determined to pose a substantial risk of injury or property damage, which is not attributed to other factors, and which appear to be related to drug and/or alcohol abuse.
- c. The determination of reasonable suspicion may be made by the employee's Supervisor. In those instances when the determination of reasonable suspicion is made, reporters will complete and sign an Observed Behavior Reasonable Suspicion Record Document.
- d. The City will provide reasonable suspicion training for its Supervisors, and offer said training to Union officials. The training is intended to ensure that all personnel are able to identify situations when their own personal safety or that of their coworkers may be at risk by someone exhibiting signs of a substance abuse problem or under the influence of drugs or alcohol. Any employee who feels that his or her wellbeing is threatened by someone who may be either under the influence of drugs or alcohol or who may have a substance abuse problem should report those concerns to their Supervisor or the City's Department of Human Resources who will then immediately make a determination of reasonable suspicion in accordance with section IV.A. 2 b. above.
- e. An employee will be placed on paid administrative leave by their Supervisor or designee while waiting for a test result based on reasonable suspicion.
- 2. Post-Incident: Any employee involved in an accident or incident on the job involving an unsafe practice or violation of a safety rule, standard or policy, either of which results in serious injury or serious property damage, including, but not limited to a major vehicle accident, substantial property damage, and significant personal injury, may be directed by their Supervisor to submit to a drug and/or alcohol test.
- 3. Follow-up Testing: An employee who has violated the drug and alcohol policy, but has not been discharged, may be required to submit to follow-up testing as a condition of his or her continued employment to the extent recommended by healthcare expert engaged by the City to advise about the need and frequency of such follow-up testing. A program of follow-up testing will be set forth in writing and will generally continue for a period of no longer than 2 years. During a follow-up testing period, an employee will be subject to a reasonable number of unannounced tests for use of illegal/incapacitating drugs and/or alcohol while on duty to the extent recommended by healthcare expert engaged by the City to advise about the need for such unannounced follow-up testing.
- 4. Failure to Submit to Testing: In accordance with the terms set herein, an employee must submit to alcohol and drug testing allowed under this Article. A refusal to be tested shall be treated as a positive result. Refusal to test is considered to be any time an employee either fails to provide enough breath for alcohol testing or enough urine for controlled substances testing without a valid medical reason after being notified of the testing requirements, or if an employee clearly obstructs or refuses to cooperate in the testing process. An employee who leaves work for illness or another reason after receiving notice that s/he is to be tested, but prior to being tested, will be deemed a refusal to be tested, except for extraordinary reasons of personal or family emergency that can be documented.

### B. Alcohol Testing Procedures:

The City may direct the employee on duty to report to the testing laboratory for a blood or breathalyzer test (such testing administered by a third party, not by the City) as allowed under this Article. The employee has a right to be accompanied by a Union representative for this test; however, testing will not be unreasonably delayed if a representative is not immediately available.

During normal business hours and weekdays, the employee will be taken to the testing laboratory by a representative of the City. When testing is needed outside normal business hours or on weekends, the City will call the testing company for an on-site test.

Alcohol testing shall be done with a breathalyzer in all cases except when the employee is unable to perform a breathalyzer test (i.e. vehicle accident, unconsciousness). No testing will be conducted without the employee's consent. A refusal to be tested shall be treated as a positive result. Testing shall be conducted pursuant to valid methods sufficient to be admissible in court.

### C. Drug Testing Procedures:

- 1. Collection: An employee subject to drug testing will be directed in writing to report at a specified time to a testing laboratory certified by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). All testing will be conducted pursuant to regulations issued by the HHS for federal employees. Collection of a urine sample will be supervised by qualified medical personnel, in accordance with HHS regulations and the procedures established by the testing laboratory, including but not limited to, proper sealing and labeling of sample, in the employee's presence, to avoid contamination, tampering or confusion of samples. Employees reporting for a drug test should be prepared to produce picture identification. If an employee has taken any prescription drugs or has any other reason to believe that the test will result in a false positive, the employee must inform the testing laboratory before taking the test. Such information will not be shared with the City unless the employee tests positive. When a sample is taken it is split, in accordance with the testing laboratory's standard procedure. One sample is tested and the other is preserved. The employee has a right to have the second sample sent to a different lab for testing. The Medical Review Officer shall inform the employee of a right to have the split sample tested by a different laboratory. If the employee requests test of a split sample, the result(s) will not be relied upon unless until the MRO verifies the split sample as positive for the same substance.
- 2. Processing: Urine samples will be screened initially by an Immunoassay or industry-standard screening test approved by the Department of Health & Human Services, with positive results confirmed by Gas Chromatography/Mass Spectrometry or an industry-standard confirmatory test approved by the Department of Health & Human Services. Testing will be performed in accordance with Federal government standards, under the supervision of qualified medical and laboratory personnel employed by the testing laboratory. The laboratory will test all samples only for the presence of substances included in Schedules I-III, including but not limited to marijuana, cocaine, opiates, phencyclidine (PCP), amphetamines/methamphetamines.

- 3. Reporting of Results: The results of a drug or alcohol test will be reported orally and in writing to the City's Human Resources Department. The testing laboratory will reveal to the designated official only whether the employee has received a result of negative for drugs or alcohol or positive for drugs or alcohol. The results of the drug or alcohol test will be maintained in a locked location separate from an employee's personnel or medical record. Testing results will be held in the strictest confidence by the City and will not be disseminated except on a "need to know" basis, to the Mayor, HR Director, the head of the employee's department or counsel to such officials, or as otherwise compelled by law, and in all cases shall be distributed to the employee so tested.
- 4. Specific to Positive Results: Before a positive test is reported to the City by the testing laboratory, the doctor who interprets the results ("Medical Review Officer") will consider whether the positive test result was caused by legal drug use (pursuant to a validly obtained prescription). The Medical Review Officer may require that the employee produce any necessary written proof, and the employee shall authorize the Medical Review Officer to obtain further information from his or her health care providers. If the Medical Review Officer determines that the employee's explanation is medically corroborated by the test results (e.g., the substance identified in the test is contained in the prescribed drug) then the test will be reported to the City as "negative". The laboratory will not provide to the City any information it learns concerning prescription drugs that the employee is taking pursuant to a validly obtained prescription. If the Medical Review Officer is unable to obtain the employee's cooperation in order to make this determination, the positive result will be reported to the employer.
- 5. The Testing Laboratory: The testing laboratory shall be selected by the City, and shall be certified by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. The City will notify the Union of the laboratory selected.
- 6. Chain of Custody: The parties understand that the testing laboratory will fully maintain the chain of custody of samples and thereby ensure the integrity of the samples.

### V. SEARCHES

The City has the right to search for alcohol or drugs on City owned or controlled property, including in desks, City vehicles, and lockers, that may conceal substances prohibited by this policy. This shall not constitute a waiver of any rights accorded by federal and state law (including constitutional) to be free from such searches. During any such search one or more union members may be present.

### VI. <u>ENFORCEMENT</u>

- A. Any employee who violates this Article will be subject to discipline up to and including termination.
- B. In the case of the first offense involving the abuse of alcohol (0.04 blood alcohol level or higher) or validly obtained prescription drugs, the employee will be suspended without pay for 5

calendar days. In the case of a second offense, the employee may be suspended without pay for up to 30 calendar days. A third offense shall result in termination.

- C. In the case of a first offense involving illegal/incapacitating drugs, the employee may be suspended without pay up to 20 calendar days. A second offense shall result in termination.
- D. For non-terminal offenses identified above, the City may require that employee be required to meet the following conditions as a condition of employment:
- 1. The employee will be screened and evaluated for substance abuse by a verified substance abuse professional ("SAP") designated by the City, such SAP selected from among the SAPs in the EAP program defined in Part VII.
- 2. Upon screening and evaluation, the SAP will communicate only the SAP 's treatment recommendations for treatment to the City. The employee shall take any necessary steps to release the SAP to communicate and share information with the City limited to the employee's compliance with attendance requirements and treatment plans.
- 3. The recommended treatment plan will be set forth in writing, and shall include reasonable number of follow-up tests within a set period of time, based upon the recommendation of the SAP. The employee shall be required to abide by all aspects of the treatment plan, provided that any such requirements do not contradict any other aspect of this policy. The treatment program shall be selected in accordance with "EAP" programs identified below in Part VII of this Article.
- 4. The employee shall bear the responsibility for the cost of the evaluation and any treatment recommended, to the extent it is not covered by health insurance. Any leave required for the purpose of attending treatment, or due to the employee's incapacity to perform the essential functions of the job, shall be unpaid, unless the employee uses paid leave available to him or her, except where the leave runs concurrently with a disciplinary suspension.
- 5. Failure to abide by the material conditions herein, or the treatment plan, or any subsequent violation of this Article, shall subject the employee to discipline up to and including discharge, subject to rights of appeal under contract or law.
  - 6. Random, unscheduled testing of employee on duty for a period of up to four years.

#### VII. EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Any City employee may receive assistance with treatment of a drug or alcohol dependency problem through the employee assistance program ("EAP"). Employees may voluntarily request such help or the City may require participation in the EAP as a condition of continued employment, through a certified program specifically structured for assistance to first responders. An employee's participation in the EAP is treated confidentially. Participation in any program or treatment through the EAP will not be disclosed to the City without the participant's written permission. In cases where participation in the EAP is required as a condition of employment, the employee will be required to permit the City to be informed only whether the

employee is participating as required (i.e., keeping scheduled appointments). The foregoing confidentiality provision shall not prevent the City from receiving the results of any testing specified under Section D above.

Employee Name		Date Observed	
Location		Time Observed From	То
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BREATH: Odor of Alcoholic Beverage)	☐ STRONG ☐ NONE	FAINT	☐ MODERATE ☐ MARIJUANA ODOR
EVES:	□ BLOODSHOT □ CLEAR □ DILATED PUPILS	GLASSY HEAVY EYELIDS	□ NORMAL □ FIXED PUPILS
PEECH:	☐ CONFUSED ☐ ACCENT ☐ SLURRED ☐ INCOHERENT	☐ STUTTERED ☐ MUMBLED ☐ GOOD ☐ WHISPERING	SHOUTING
ATTITUDE:	□ EXCITED □ INDIFFERENT □ ERRATIC □ COOPERATIVE	☐ COMBATIVE ☐ TALKATIVE ☐ COCKY ☐ PROFANE	☐ HILARIOUS ☐ INSULTING ☐ SLEEPY ☐ POLITE
JNUSUAL ACTION	☐ HICCUPPING ☐ FIGHTING ☐ OTHER	☐ BELCHING ☐ CRYING	☐ VOMITING ☐ LAUGHING
BALANCE	☐ FALLING ☐ SWAYING	☐ NEEDS SUPPORT ☐ OTHER	WOBBLING
WALKING	☐ FALLING ☐ SWAYING	☐ STAGGERING ☐ UNABLE TO STAND	☐ STUMBLING ☐ RIGID
APPEARANCE/CLOTHING	☐ DISHEVELED ☐ HAVING ODOR	☐ MESSY ☐ STAINS ON CLOTHING	☐ DIRTY ☐ PARTIALLY DRESSED
EATING/CHEWING	☐ GUM ☐ OTHER	CANDY	□товассо
NY OTHER UNUSUAL ACTIONS OR STAT			
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