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RESOLUTION NUMBER 13-67

BOROUGH OF LODI

Bergen County, New Jersey

WHEREAS, an Agreement has been negotiated between the Borough of Lodi (hereinafter referred to as the "Borough") and the Policemen's Benevolent Association, Local 26 (Lodi Unit) (hereinafter referred to as the "PBA") for the period of January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2014 (hereinafter referred to as the "Agreement") which Agreement is attached hereto, made a part hereof and incorporated herein by reference; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Lodi on behalf of the Borough desire to approve and authorize the execution of said Agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Lodi that the Agreement between the Borough of Lodi and the Policemen's Benevolent Association, Local 26 (Lodi Unit) for the period of January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2014 which Agreement is attached hereto is hereby approved and the Borough Manager Anthony Luna is hereby authorized to execute said Agreement on behalf of the Borough.

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AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

THE BOROUGH OF LODI

AND

THE POLICEMEN'S BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION, LOCAL 26 (LODI UNIT)

JANUARY 1, 2013 THROUGH DECEMBER 31,2014

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PREAMBLE

This AGREEMENT, made by and between the BOROUGH OF LODI, a body politic and corporate of the State of New Jersey, hereinafter referred to as the "Employer", and THE POLICEMEN'S BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION, LOCAL 26, (Lodi Unit) hereinafter referred to as the "PBA";

WHEREAS, the Employer and the PBA recognized that it will be to the benefit of both to promote mutual understanding and foster a harmonious relationship between the parties to the end that continuous and efficient service will be rendered to and by both parties,

NOW, THEREFORE, it is agreed as follows:

EMPLOYEES' BASIC RIGHTS

- A. Pursuant to chapter 303, Public Laws 1968, the Employer hereby agrees that every Employee shall have the right freely to organize, join and support the PBA and its affiliates for the purpose of engaging in collective negotiations and other concerted activities for mutual aid and protection. As a body exercising governmental powers under the Laws of the State of New Jersey, the Employer undertakes and agrees that it shall not directly or indirectly discourage or deprive or coerce any Employee in the enjoyment of any right conferred by Chapter 303, Public Laws 1968, or other Laws of New Jersey or the Constitution of New Jersey and of the United States.
- B. The Employer further agrees that it shall not discriminate against any Employee with respect to hours, wages or any terms or conditions of employment by reason of his membership in the PBA and its affiliates, collective negotiations with the Employer or his institution of any grievance, complaint or proceeding under this Agreement or otherwise with respect to any terms of conditions of employment, as prescribed by the Statutes of the State of New Jersey.

EXCLUSIVITY OF ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATION

A. The Employer agrees that it will not enter into any Contract or Memorandum of Agreement with any one but the recognized Association (PBA Local 26, Lodi Unit) only with regard to the categories of personnel covered by the said Memorandum of Agreement during the terms of this Agreement.

AGENCY SHOP

Any permanent Employee in the bargaining unit on the Α. effective date of the Agreement who does not join the Union within thirty(30) days thereafter, any new permanent Employee who does not join within thirty (30) days of the initial employment within the unit, and any permanent Employee previously employed, within the unit who does not join within ten (10) days of reentry into employment with the unit shall, as a condition of employment pay a Representation Fee to the Union. The Representation Fee shall be in an amount equal to eight-five (85%) percent of the regular Union membership dues, fees, and assessments as certified by the Union. The Union may revise its certification of the amount of Representation Fee at any time to reflect changes in the regular Union Membership dues, fees and assessments. Union's entitlement to the Representation Fee shall continue beyond the termination date of this Agreement so long as the Union remains the majority representative of the Employees in the unit, provided that no modification is made in this provision by a successor agreement between the Union and the Employer.

EXISTING LAWS

A. The provisions of this Agreement shall be subject to and subordinate to, and shall not annul or modify existing applicable provisions of State or Federal Laws.

ASSOCIATION RECOGNITION

- A. The Employer recognizes PBA Local 26 (Lodi Unit) only as the exclusive bargaining representative for the purpose of collective negotiations with respect to all negotiable items of employment of all Employees employed by the Employer's Police Department except those Employees specifically excluded herein, Police Chief and Deputy Chief of Police, and all non-police Employees.
- B. The term "Police Officer" or "Employee" as used herein shall be defined to include the plural as well as the singular and include females as well as males, and shall apply to members of the police force covered by this Agreement.
- C. The Employer and the Union agree that there shall be no discrimination against any Employee because of age, race, creed, color, religion, martial status, sex, national origin or political affiliation.
- D. The Employer and the Union agree that all Employees covered under the Agreement have the right without fear of penalty or reprisal to form, join, and assist any Employee organization or to refrain from any such activity. There shall be no discrimination by the Employer or the Union against any Employee because of the Employee's membership or non-membership or activity or non-activity in the Union.

ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATIVES

- A. The Employer recognized the right of the Association to designate Representatives within the Department and alternates for the enforcement of this Agreement, provided they are members of the Lodi Police Department or their attorneys.
- B. The Association shall furnish the Employer in writing the names of the representatives and the alternates and notify the Employer of any changes.
- C. The authority of the representatives and alternates so designated by the Association shall be limited to, and shall not exceed, the following duties and activities.
 - The investigation and presentation of grievances in accordance with the provisions of the Collective Bargaining Agreement.
 - The transmission of such messages and information which shall originate with, and are authorized by the Association and its Officers.
- D. The designated association representatives shall be granted time with pay during working hours to investigate and seek to settle grievances but not including disciplinary matters. The Chief shall grant reasonable time for the aforesaid activities, and to attend negotiating sessions and all other

meetings or sessions which might affect the rights and/or obligations of any member.

RIGHTS OF EMPLOYEES

- A. Members of the force hold a unique status as public officers in that the nature of their office and employment involves the exercise of a portion of the police power of the municipality.
- B. The security of the community depends to a great extent on the manner in which Police Officers perform their duty, and their employment is thus in the nature of a public trust.
- C. The wide ranging powers and duties given to the Department and its members involve them in all manner of contacts and relationships with the public.
- D. Out of these contacts may come questions concerning the actions of the members of the force.
- E. These questions may require investigation by Superior Officers designated by the Chief and governing body.
- F. In an effort to insure that these investigation are conducted in a manner which is conducted to good order and discipline, the following rules are hereby adopted:
 - (1) The interrogation of a member of the force shall be at a reasonable hour, preferably when the member of the force is on duty, unless the exigencies of the investigation dictate otherwise, in which event reassignment of the member of the force should be

- employed. (If any time is lost, the member of the force shall be compensated). When it arises out of a work situation or police matter, interrogation shall be handled on Borough time.
- (2) The interrogation shall take place at a location designated by the Chief. Usually it will be at Police Headquarters or the location where the incident allegedly occurred.
- (3) Sufficient information to reasonably apprize the member of the allegations should be provided. If it is known that the member of the force is being interrogated as a witness only, he should be so informed at the initial contact.
- (4) The questioning shall be reasonable in length.

 Reasonable respites shall be allowed. Time shall also be provided for personal necessities, meals, telephone calls, and rest periods that are reasonably necessary.
- (5) The members of the force shall not be subject to any offensive language, nor shall he be threatened with transfer, dismissal or other disciplinary punishment.

 No promise of reward shall be made as inducement to answering questions.
- (6) The complete interrogation of the member of the force shall be recorded mechanically or by a department

- stenographer at the request of the member or interrogator. There will be no "off the record" questions. All recesses called during the questioning shall be recorded.
- (7) If a member of the force is under arrest or is likely to be, that is, if he is a suspect or the target of a criminal investigation, he shall be given his rights pursuant to the current decisions of the United States Supreme Court.

DATA FOR FUTURE BARGAINING

- A. The Employer agrees to make available to the Association all relevant data the Association may require to bargain collectively, which data shall be contained in the official records of the Borough.
- B. The relevant data noted above shall include but shall not be limited to such items as salaries and benefits enjoyed by other Borough Employee groups, the cost of the various insurances and other programs, information concerning overtime worked by Employees, the total number of sick leave days utilized by Employees, the total number of injuries on duty, the total length of time lost as a result of injuries on duty and other data of similar nature.
- C. The Borough shall incur no additional expense by virtue of this Article. This Article shall not apply to any attorney-client work product.

SALARIES

- A. The base pay for all Employees covered by this contract shall be as set forth in Appendix A annexed.
- B. All Employees currently on staff as of the date of signing of this contract shall be entitled to step movement on January $1^{\rm st}$ of each year.
- Employees hired on or before July 1, 2013 and having completed seventeen (17) years of service would be entitled to said Senior Officer Differential benefit. The benefit would be an increase in the base pay rate by an amount equal to one-half (1/2) the difference between the Employee's then current base rate and the next higher rate of pay. For example, a Patrolman having completed seventeen (17) years of service would receive a Patrolman's pay expanded by one-half (½) the difference between the Patrolman's base rate and the Sergeant's base rate of pay. This procedure for calculating Senior Officer Differential as an expansion of base pay shall be calculated for each rank differential in the salary structure. Captains shall be paid a Senior Officer Differential which is calculated by averaging the percentage value of Senior Officer Differentials between all other ranks (Patrolman to Sergeant, Sergeant to Lieutenant, and Lieutenant to Captain).
 - D. Senior Officer Differential shall be eliminated for all

Officers hired after July 1, 2013.

E. The parties reserve the right to address and/or renegotiate this clause in future contracts, if so desired.

WORK DAY, WORK WEEK AND OVERTIME

- A. The normal work day tour shall be eight (8) hours, which shall include forty-five (45) minutes for meal period in addition to fifteen (15) minutes coffee break prior to the meal period and fifteen (15) minutes coffee break subsequent to meal time per day, which shall be taken pursuant to present practice including the obligation to respond to all calls.
- B. Effective with the signing of this contract, or as soon thereafter as possible, the parties agree to implement a 12 hour work day work schedule. The 12 hour work schedule shall be on a 3/2 sequence as detailed on Appendix C annexed. The Chief may modify the schedule for purposes of efficiency or other reasons upon reasonable notice to the Union, except in cases of emergency in which case the Chief may modify the schedule at any time.
- C. Overtime shall be paid by following the rules: It shall be paid overtime compensation (time and one-half the straight time hourly rate).

HOURLY RATE

A. To compute the base hourly rate for overtime for other purposes, the Employee's established base salary shall be divided by 2080 hours.

COURT TIME

- A. Court time, as referred to in this Article, shall consist of all time, excluding regular tours of duty, during which any Police Officer covered under this Agreement shall be required to attend a Municipal Court, County Court, Superior Court, Grand Jury proceeding, or other Courts or Administrative Bodies.
- B. All such required court time shall be considered as overtime and shall be compensated at time and one-half.
- C. When a Police Officer covered under this Agreement shall be required to travel to and from any of the Courts or Administrative Bodies as noted in this Article, such travel time shall be considered and included in the computation of the amount of overtime to which the Employee is entitled, provided, however, that such travel time shall be computed between the Employer's police headquarters and the pertinent Court or Administrative Body.
- D. The amount of overtime to which a Police Officer may be entitled under this Article shall be the actual time required, including waiting time in the Court or Administrative Body, together with any applicable travel time, provided, however, that the Employee's entitlement to overtime under this Article shall not be less that three (3) hours of overtime pay so long as Court time is not contiguous with the regular day, that is, the Court

appearance does not continue into the regular tour of duty.

TRAINING PAY

A. The Employer agrees to compensate all Police Officers covered by this Agreement at time and one-half rate for attending training courses on their own time which courses are State or Municipality mandated or approved.

RECALL

A. Any Employee who is called back to work after having completed his regularly scheduled shift shall be compensated at time and one-half the straight time hourly rate of pay with minimum guarantee of four (4) hours work or pay in lieu thereof.

PRIORITY FOR OVERTIME

- A. Overtime for regularly scheduled shifts and details will be offered in an order of preference based upon a rotating seniority roster.
- B. The purpose of this section is to equalize overtime among Employees and same shall not be defeated by the Employer's selection of special persons within the unit for special details as set forth herein.
- C. The language of this Article is meant to apply to the current practice that it is applicable to departmentally ordered overtime only. Extra duty work is not covered by this Article.

SHIFT CHANGES

- A. The Employer agrees that it will not unreasonably adjust shifts so as to avoid overtime payment to Employees covered by this Agreement and shift changes shall not occur without giving affected Employees seventy-two (72) hours notice.
- B. The Employer agrees that it will not unreasonably deny two (2) Employees who mutually agree to switch shifts, within the same rank or position.
- C. Employees shall be permitted to mutually exchange tour(s) of duty with other members of the Bargaining Unit provided such is done with the approval of the Chief of Police or Tour Commanders.

LONGEVITY

In addition to all wages and other benefits, each Employee shall be entitled to longevity payment which shall be paid at the rate of two (2%) percent of base salary for every four years of service based upon the Employee's current base salary, with a maximum of twelve (12%) percent. All Officers hired after July 1, 2013 are subject to a maximum longevity rate of ten (10%) percent.

UNIFORMS

- A. Each new Employee shall receive from the Employer, free of charge in lieu of a clothing allowance, a complete uniform.

 Annexed hereto as Appendix B is the complete uniform list.
- B. Thereafter, the Employer will pay each Employee, the sum of Five Hundred fifty (\$550.00) Dollars per year as a clothing and maintenance allowance which shall be payable in January of each year.
- C. This payment shall be made to plain clothed as well as uniformed Employees.
- D. If the Employer decides to change the uniform or any part thereof, it shall provide to each Employee, free of charge, any such changed items.
- E. Utilization of Section D shall not diminish the clothing allowance set forth in this Agreement except if a complete new uniform is issued in any calendar year.
- F. Any Employee's uniform or personal equipment which are required by him in his capacity as a Police Officer, which may be damaged as a result of a single episode during the course of his employment, shall be replaced at the expense of the Employer, with the approval of the Chief, except which such damage is caused by the negligence of the Employee.
 - G. Any such payments made under Section F shall be in

addition to the Employee's annual clothing allowance otherwise referred to in this Agreement and shall be made to the Employee within thirty (30) days of reporting same.

H. In addition, the Employer shall purchase and furnish a new Officer one hand gun which shall be in reasonable satisfactory condition. Said gun shall be returned to the Employer upon the termination of the Officer's employment.

PBA REPRESENTATION

A. The Employer agrees to grant the necessary time off without loss of pay to one member of the PBA or his alternate selected by the members of the PBA as delegate to attend any State or National Convention of the New Jersey Policemen's Benevolent Association. Further, the Employer agrees to grant the necessary time off without loss of pay to the PBA representative duly designated as the State delegate to attend the monthly State PBA meeting, Bergen County Conference Meeting and Conventions. It is the intent of the parties to fully comply with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:14-177.

VACATIONS

A. The Vacation Allowance shall be as follows for Officers and Supervisors:

1 to 4 years of service	11 working days
Start of 5 th year of service	15 working days
Start of 10 th year of service	20 working days
Start of 15 th year of service	25 working days
Start of 20th year of service	30 working days

- B. When in any calendar year, the vacation or any part thereof is not granted by reason of pressure of police activity, such vacation periods not granted shall accumulate and shall be granted during the next succeeding year at the approval of the Chief.
- C. If an Employee is on vacation and becomes sufficiently ill so as to require hospitalization for four (4) days or more, he may have such period of illness and post-hospital recuperation period charged against sick leave at this option upon proof of hospitalization and physician's certificate.
- D. No Employee who is on vacation shall be recalled except in a case of full mobilization of the Department by the Chief, to meet a clear and present danger confronting the Borough.
- E. Vacation shall be selected on a rotating seniority basis which shall be established by the Department. Vacations

are to be selected and posted with the schedule pursuant to present practice.

F. Vacation shall be pro-rated during first year of service.

HOLIDAYS

- A. Each Employee shall be compensated with thirteen (13) paid holidays per year to be utilized in the same calendar year unless the Chief permits them to be carried over. Holiday time off shall be at the Employee's sole discretion subject to prior departmental approval.
- B. If the Governing Body declares not through collective negotiations, any other day to be a holiday in addition to the thirteen (13) holidays set forth herein, Employees shall be entitled to such holidays:
 - 1. New Year's
 - 2. Lincoln's Birthday
 - 3. Washington's Birthday
 - 4. Good Friday
 - 5. Memorial Day
 - 6. Independence Day
 - 7. Labor Day
 - 8. Columbus Day
 - 9. Election Day
 - 10. Veteran's Day
 - 11. Thanksgiving Day
 - 12. Christmas Day
 - 13. Martin Luther King Day

- Each Employee covered by this Agreement shall have the C. individual option to sell back to the Employer up to 24 hours per calendar year. If the Employee elects to sell said holiday back to the Employer than said Employee shall receive paid compensation equivalent to such holidays as are sold back calculated at the overtime rate and those "sold" holidays will be deducted from the Employee's existing days left. If the Employee elects to sell back up to 24 hours then notice shall be given to the Employer not later than May 1 of the calendar year. Where such election is made by the Employee, the Employer shall pay the Employee the appropriate amount within ninety (90) calendar days of said notice. The remaining holidays may be sold back at the straight time rate to be paid December 1st. If the Employee elects to sell holidays to the Employer then said Employee shall receive paid compensation as provided above and the sold back holidays shall be deducted from the Employee's existing days left. If the Employee elects to sell back any holidays then notice shall be given to the Employer not later than July 1 of the calendar year.
- D. The parties agree to form a holiday benefit committee for the purpose of examining the benefit and to consider proposals and counter proposals, and bringing back such agreements as may be made to their respective principals for ratification. Committee subjects shall include, but not be

limited to, holiday accumulation, holiday utilization, accountability, buy back, etc.

SICK LEAVE

- A. The present practice and policy with regard to accumulated sick leave time, whereby each Employee is entitled to fifteen (15) days per year for calculation purposes, shall continue in full force and effect.
- B. In addition to the foregoing, and in accordance with the provisions of law governing sick leave for Police Personnel contained in N.J.S.A. 40A:14-137, every Officer shall be granted up to one (1) year sick leave, not related to accumulated sick days which are hereby expressly authorized.
- C. If an Officer is out sick for more than seven (7) days, or injured and under doctor's care he will not be required to remain in his home if the doctor feels it is not necessary for his recuperation; but he will let the Desk Officer know where he can be reached. The Department Head may direct the Employee to the Borough designated physician for an opinion as to the eligibility of the Employee to be absent from work.
- D. If an Officer lives alone or becomes ill or injured while not at home, he will notify the Desk Officer as to where he will be staying.
- E. Sick leave may be used by an Officer for personal illness or injury or a member of his family or household which requires his attendance upon the person who is ill or injured or

which requires his being quarantined by a physician because of a disease which is certified by the local Health Department of the jurisdiction where the officer resides as being a contagious disease. Sick leave is hereby defined to mean absence from post or duty because of illness, accident or exposure to a contagious disease requiring isolation.

- F. Notwithstanding any of the above provisions, the Employer reserves the right to have an Officer examined by a physician, designated by the Employer after a period of ninety (90) days from the date of his disability if the Officer is disabled and the likelihood of the Officer being able to return to duty is questionable based on the determination of the Borough Manager or Chief.
- G. If the physician appointed by the Employer to examine the disabled Officer determines that the Officer will never be able to return to duty, the Officer or his legal guardian shall be required to apply for disability retirement in accordance with the provisions of either the Police & Fire Retirement System.
- H. Habitual absenteeism or tardiness may be cause for discipline.
- I. Any Employee who calls in sick to engage in outside employment shall be subject to disciplinary action.
- J. If an Employee is absent from work for reasons that entitle him to sick leave, the Department Head or his designated

representative shall be notified as early as possible, but not later than one hour prior to the start of the scheduled work shift from which he is absent barring extenuating circumstances.

Failure to so notify the Department Head or his designated representative may be cause for denial of the use of sick leave for the absence and constitute cause for disciplinary action. An Employee who is absent for five (5) consecutive days or more and who does not notify the Department Head or some other reasonable representative of the Borough on any of the first five (5) days may be subject to dismissal barring extenuating circumstances.

WORK INCURRED INJURY

- A. Where an Employee covered under this Agreement suffers a work-connected injury or disability, the Employer shall continue such Employee at full pay, during the continuance of such Employee's inability to work. During this period of time, all temporary disability benefits accruing under the provisions of the Workers Compensation Act shall be paid over to the Employer.
- B. The Employee shall be required to present evidence by a certificate of a responsible physician that he is unable to work, and the Employer may reasonably require Employees to visit the Borough's designated physician.
- C. In the event the Employee contends that he is entitled to a period of disability beyond the period established by the treating physician, or a physician employed by the Employer or by its insurance carrier, then, and in that event, the burden shall be upon the Employee to establish such additional period of disability by obtaining a judgment in the Division of Workers' Compensation, or, if there is an appeal therefrom, by the final decision of the last reviewing court shall be binding upon the parties.
- D. For the purpose of this article, injury or illness incurred while the Employee is acting in any Employer authorized

activity, shall be considered in the line of duty.

E. Employees who are injured while working must make a report within a reasonable period of time thereof to their Department Head.

BEREAVEMENT LEAVE

- A. All permanent full-time Employees covered by this

 Agreement shall be entitled to three (3) consecutive calendar days

 leave with pay from the day of death or day of the funeral of a

 member of his immediate family. The leave shall be consecutive

 calendar days but exclusive of scheduled shift days off.
- B. Immediate family shall include, spouse, civil union partner, children, parents, brothers, sisters, grandparents and grandchildren of Employee or spouse.
- C. One day bereavement leave, day of burial, shall be added in the case of the death of an uncle, aunt, nephew or niece.
- D. Such funeral leave shall not be charged against the Employee's vacation or sick leave.
- E. Any extension of absence under this article, however, may be at the Employee's option and with the consent of Department Head, be charged against available vacation time or be taken without pay for reasonable period.
- F. Reasonable verification of event may be required by the Employer.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

- A. All permanent full-time Employees covered by this Agreement may be granted a leave of absence without pay for a period of six (6) months.
- B. The Employee shall submit in writing all facts bearing on the request to the Chief who shall append his recommendations and forward his request to the Borough Manager.
- C. The Borough Manager shall consider each request on its merits and without establishing a precedent. The Employer will not unreasonably deny any Employee's request for leave of absence.
- D. This leave is subject to renewal for reasons of personal illness, disability or other reasons deemed proper and approved by the Employer. Normally, it shall be granted only when the Employer has used his accumulated sick and vacation leave in the case of illness or his vacation leave if leave without pay is requested for reasons other than illness.
- E. At the expiration of such leave, the Employee shall be returned to the position from which he is on leave.
 - F. Seniority shall be retained.

MEDICAL COVERAGE

- A. (1) The Employer shall provide medical, prescription and eye care coverage to all eligible bargaining unit Employees at not less that the level of coverage provided by the State Health Benefits Program ("SHBP) in effect for the bargaining unit members on January 1, 2010 under the Direct 10 Plan. The specific provisions of coverage are set forth in the "SHBP" attachments.
- (2) No further claims shall be filed after May 1, 2010 for reimbursement of doctor visits co-pays, prescription co-pays, out-of-network providers and services, hospital co-pays or the like as provided under the level of benefits in effect prior to January 1, 2010. Employees shall be responsible for any and all applicable co-pays and deductibles under the "SHBP", as well as any and all costs and expenses not covered by the "SHBP" plan.
- (3) Effective January 1, 2011, Direct 10 shall be the base plan for all Employees in the bargaining unit. The Borough shall pay for the full cost of the premiums for all bargaining unit Employees that enroll in the Direct 10 Plan. Employees opting for any other available coverage shall be responsible for any additional cost in premiums.
- B. In addition to the coverage for active members, the Employer shall provide the same medical plan, including family plan if applicable, as was provided to such retired Employee on

the last day of active service for the Employer. This extended coverage shall apply until equivalent coverage is available to the Employee, at no cost to him/her, through other employment or until the retired Employee shall qualify for Medicare coverage. In such latter case, the coverage to be provided shall be as set forth hereafter. In the case of a retired Employee who shall be entitled to Medicare coverage, such Medicare coverage, per Federal regulations, shall be primary and the coverage to be provided by the Employer shall be in conjunction with such Medicare coverage so that the total medical coverage benefits, including Medicare and the coverage provided for herein, which the retired Employee would have had he/she not retired would not be diminished. purposes of this Section a retired Employee shall be one who qualifies for a service retirement or an accidental disability retirement under the Police and Fireman's Retirement System in effect as of July 1, 2000. An Employee who qualifies for such a disability retirement who is restored to duty or is otherwise disqualified from continuing pension benefits pursuant to the Police and Fireman's Retirement System, shall no longer be entitled to the coverage supplied by the Employer pursuant to this Section.

C. The Employer will maintain the current prescription drug program (State Health Benefits Direct 10 Plan) for each Employee covered by this Agreement.

- D. All increases in premiums during the term of this Agreement shall be born entirely by the Employer.
- E. The Employer will maintain whatever level of dental coverage is currently in effect as of the date of execution of this Agreement. Effective May 1, 2013, the one thousand (\$1,000.00) dollar dental maximum benefit shall be increased by Five Hundred (\$500.00) dollars for a maximum benefit of one thousand five hundred (\$1,500) dollars as defined by the terms of the summary plan description.
- F. The Employer will provide, at its expense, the influenza inoculation to be given to all Officers by the Employer.
- G. The parties agree that there shall be no changes in future medical coverages until there has been negotiation on the subject. The Employer shall provide advanced notice of any intended change together with sufficient information so that the PBA can evaluate said proposed changes. The PBA shall then promptly meet and negotiate with the public Employer as to the proposed change.
- H. The Employer shall provide for Hepatitis B inoculations for Employees in the bargaining unit.

INSURANCE

- A. The Employer will either indemnify or will continue to provide existing insurance coverage to Employees covered under this Agreement, protecting them from civil suits arising out of performance of their duties including but not limited to the following: false arrest, malicious prosecution, libel, slander, defamation of character, violation of the right of privacy, invasion of the right of privileged occupancy.
- B. The Employer will also pay the reasonable fees of any attorney selected by said Employee, or any body, and interest on the judgment which any Employee may be charged or obligated to pay as a result of any civil and/or criminal charges against the Employee by reason of their performance of his duties for the Employer as required by statute.

LIFE INSURANCE

A. The Employer will provide, at its own expense and cost and without cost to the Employee, a life insurance policy in the face amount equal to two times each Employee's base salary.

BULLETIN BOARD

- A. The Employer will supply one bulletin board for the use of the Association to be placed in a conspicuous location.
- B. The bulletin board shall be for the use of the Association for the posting of notices and bulletins pertaining to the Association business and activities or matters dealing with the welfare of Employees.
- C. No matter may be posted without receiving permission of the officially designated Association representative and the Chief.
- D. The Chief shall not unreasonably withhold permission for posting.

CEREMONIAL ACTIVITIES

- A. In the event a Police Officer in another department in the State of New Jersey is killed in the line of duty, the Employer will permit at least two (2) uniformed Police Officers of the Department to participate in funeral services for the deceased Officer.
- B. Subject to the availability of same the Employer will permit a Department police vehicle to be utilized by the members in the funeral service.
- C. Police Officers participating in such funeral service shall not be entitled to any compensation during the time in which they are participating in said funeral services unless otherwise agreed to by the Chief or the Borough Manager but without setting a precedent.

LEGAL EXPENSES

- A. If an Officer is charged with violation of the law as a result of acts committed by him in the course of performing his duties, the Officer shall select an attorney to provide legal service to defend him, which attorney shall be reasonably satisfactory to the Employer, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:14-155. The PBA shall submit a list of three (3) attorneys from which the public Employer shall select one.
- B. Officers shall also be permitted to retain an attorney to defend a civil action to which he/she is a party as a result of an act committed by him/her during the course of performing his/her duty.

PERSONNEL FILES

- A. A separate personal history file shall be established and maintained for each Employee covered by this agreement; personal history files are confidential records and shall be maintained in the office of the Chief.
- B. A member of the Police Department may, by appointment, review his personal file and this appointment for review must be made through the Chief.
- C. Whenever a written complaint concerning an Officer or his actions is to be placed in his personnel file, a copy shall be made available to him, and he shall be given the opportunity to rebut it if he so desires, and he/she shall be permitted to place said rebuttal in his file. The Employee shall be given two (2) weeks from date he/she initials and dates material to be placed in his file to rebut.
- D. All personal history files will be carefully maintained and safeguarded permanently, and nothing placed in any file shall be removed therefrom.

MILITARY LEAVE

- A. Where any Employee is a member of the National Guard, Air National Guard, or a reserve unit of any of the Armed Forces of the United States and is required to engage in field training and to attend meetings, he shall be granted a military leave of absence with pay for the period of such training or meeting. Such paid leave of absence shall not affect his vacation.
- B. When the Officer has been called to active duty or inducted into the military, air or naval forces of the United States, he shall be granted an indefinite leave of absence without pay and his seniority shall continue for the duration of such military service. Such Officer must be reinstated without loss of privileges of seniority, provided he received honorable discharge and he reports for duty with the Borough within ninety (90) days following his honorable discharge from military service.

PENSION

- A. The Employer shall provide pension and retirement benefits to Employees covered by this Agreement pursuant to provisions of the statutes and laws of the State of New Jersey.
- B. The Employer will pay to the appropriate Police
 Retirement Fund all amounts which the fund will accept to account
 for any payments made to Employees pursuant to this Agreement.
- C. It is agreed that in the event that the parties have a dispute as to whether a payment should or should not be made to the appropriate police retirement fund, then, and in that event, resolution of the said dispute shall be made by the appropriate fund and the parties to this Agreement agree to be bound thereby.

GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

- A. To provide for the expeditious and mutual satisfactory settlement of grievances arising with respect to complaints occurring under this Agreement, the following procedures shall be used. For the purpose of this Agreement, the term "grievance" means any complaint, or any difference or dispute between the Borough and any Employee with respect to the interpretations, application, or violation of any of the provisions of this Agreement or any rule, regulation, procedure or practice.
- B. The procedure for settlement of grievances shall be as follows:

(1) STEP ONE

In the event that any Employee covered by this Agreement has a grievance, then within thirty (30) working days the grievance shall be presented in writing to the Chief, with a copy going to the Borough Clerk. The Chief shall render a decision within ten (10) working days after the grievance was presented to him.

(1) STEP TWO

If no satisfactory resolution of the grievance is reached at STEP ONE, then within ten (10) working days the grievance shall be presented in writing to the Manager who shall render a decision within ten (10) working days after the grievance was first presented to them.

(2) STEP THREE

If no satisfactory resolution is reached at STEP TWO, then within ten (10) working days the grievance shall be presented to the Borough Council. The Council shall render a decision

within ten (10) working days after the grievance was first presented to them.

(3) ARBITRATION

- (a) If no satisfactory resolution of the grievance is reached at STEP THREE then within ten (10) working days the grievance shall be referred to PERC for the selection of an arbitrator to decide the issue or issues. The decision of the Arbitrator shall be final and binding upon the parties.
- (b) The cost for the services of the Arbitration shall be borne equally by the Borough and the Association. Any other expenses, including, but not limited to the presentation of witnesses, shall be paid by the parties incurring same.
- (c) The decision of the Arbitrator shall be in writing and shall include the reasons for such decision.

SAVINGS CLAUSE

A. If any provision of this Agreement or any application of this Agreement to any Employee, member or group of Employees or members is held to be invalid by operation of law, by any Court, Administrative Body or other tribunal of competent jurisdiction, then the parties agree to reopen negotiations with respect to the impact of such invalid provision consistent with law relating to negotiations and interest arbitration as set forth in N.J.S.A.

34:13a-16 et seq.: however, all other provisions and applications contained herein shall continue in full force and effect, and shall not be affected thereby.

OFF DUTY POLICE ACTION

- A. Since all Police Officers are presumed to be subject to duty twenty-four (24) hours per day, the parties agree to the following:
 - 1. Any action taken by a member of the force on his time off, which would have been taken by an Officer on active duty of present or available, shall be considered police action, and the Employee shall have the rights and benefits concerning such action as if he were then on active duty. The within clause does not apply to approved secondary employment which may be handled by Employees covered by this Agreement.
 - 2. Recognizing that the Employer and its residents benefit from the additional protection afforded them by armed offduty Police Officers, and further recognizing the weighty responsibility and hazards confronting such armed offduty Police Officer, the Employer agrees to pay such Employees an additional sum to be added to the regular and periodic payments the Employees receive on the following amount: one (\$1.00) Dollar per year for off-duty time.

AMENDMENT OF LAW

A. Any provision of this Agreement requiring State

Legislative action to permit its implementation by amendment of

law shall not be effective until the appropriate State bodies have

acted.

MILEAGE ALLOWANCE

A. Whenever an Employee shall be required to use his personal vehicle in any job connected capacity or authorized by the Chief, he shall be entitled to an allowance so as to comply with current Internal Revenue Service provisions.

MATERNITY LEAVES

- A. Female Police Officers shall advise the Employer in writing of a pregnancy. The right of a female Police Officer shall include but not be limited to the following provisions.
- 1. The female Police Officer shall be permitted to work as a Police Officer so long as such work is permitted by a doctor's note. The female Police Officer's assignments shall be at the discretion of the Chief of Police. The doctor shall be a physician of the female Police Officer's own choosing.
- 2. In addition to the other provisions of this Article, the female Police Officer shall be permitted to use accumulated sick time, compensatory time off and any other accumulated time benefits which she may have during the period of her pregnancy and the period following childbirth.
- 3. In addition, a female Employee with one (1) year or more of service shall be granted, on thirty (30) days written notice, maternity leave without pay for up to six (6) months duration and shall be returned to work without loss of prior seniority, or prior benefits, provided that she notifies the Chief of Police in writing no later than after three (3) months of leave that she intends to return to work.
 - 4. The female Police Officer shall at all times be kept at full benefits and shall be considered as on active duty for all

computation purposes.

5. Upon return to active duty status, the female Police Officer shall be entitled to be placed in the same position which she held before departing on maternity leave.

Male Police Officers shall be permitted to use ten (10) days of accumulated sick time, compensatory time off and any other time benefits following the birth of their child.

When the wearing of a uniform is no longer practical, the Employee shall be reassigned to non-uniformed duty and permitted to dress in appropriate civilian attire.

SAFETY AND HEALTH

- A. The Employer will comply with all safety and health statutes and other safety and health regulation so as to maintain existing working conditions at a safe level for all Employees.
- B. Every Employer shall furnish a place of employment which shall be reasonably safe and healthful for Employees. Every Employer shall install, maintain and use such Employee protective devices and safeguards including methods of sanitation and hygiene and where a substantial risk of physical injury is inherent in the nature of a specific work operation shall also with respect to such work operation establish and enforce such work methods as are reasonably necessary to protect the life, health, and safety of Employees with due regard for the nature of the work required.

PERSONAL DAYS

- A. Each employee shall be entitled to five (5) personal days per year which are cumulative to the next succeeding year pursuant to present and past practice.
- B. For the purpose of this article, an Employee shall not be required to advise his superior the reason for the personal leave day. Employees shall give the Chief of Police forty-eight (48) hours notice if their request to take a personal day where such notice is practicable. In any event, the Employee shall give the Chief all possible notice if emergent circumstances make 48 hours notice impossible. The chief shall not unreasonably deny permission to take a personal day. The parties recognize that manning considerations or emergency conditions may lead to a denial of personal leave. However, the required use of overtime coverage shall not be a basis for denial of personal leave.
- C. Personal leave days for persons working the twelve hour shift shall be controlled by schedule C attached.

YEARLY CALENDAR

A. Except as otherwise modified by this Agreement the present calendar shall remain in full force and effect as shall the method of selection of days off.

NO WAIVER

- A. Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, the failure to enforce any provision of this Agreement shall not be deemed a waiver thereof.
- B. This Agreement is not intended and shall not be construed as a waiver thereof of any right or benefit to which the Employees or Employer herein are entitled by law.

UNIFORM REGULATIONS

- A. While the parties agree that a full and complete uniform and the use thereof by the Employee has an affirmative impact upon an Officer's image, it is recognized that the use of police hat while riding in a patrol vehicle can cause inconvenience and discomfort to the Employee. The parties, therefore, agree that an Employee may remove his uniform hat while riding in a official patrol vehicle.
- B. Seasonal changes of uniform will take place on May 1 with the change to a summer uniform (short sleeves). The next change will then occur on September 30 with the change to winter uniforms (long sleeves).
- C. Employees covered by this Agreement shall be permitted to use Departmentally approved light weight jackets with summer uniforms (short sleeve shirt).
- D. A seasonal change from neck tie to the department approved turtle neck shirt will take place on December $1^{\rm st}$ of each year. A return to the neck tie shall take place on March $1^{\rm st}$ of each year.
- E. Class B uniform will be authorized to be worn year round during the night shift (6 PM to 6 AM) consistent with uniform policies outlined in the Proactive Management Manuals.

POLICE VEHICLES

A. All police vehicles purchased after the execution of this Agreement shall have the standard police package and the Employer will make every effort to keep such equipment in good state of repair.

SENIORITY

A. Traditional principles of seniority shall apply to Employees covered by this Agreement. Such principles shall apply to lay off, recall and other similar acts. Seniority is defined to mean the accumulated length of service with the Department. Time in service shall not be reduced by time lost due to an absence from his employment for bona fide illness or injury certified by a physician not in excess of one (1) year. Such certification shall be subject to review by the Borough designated physicians, if any, or any physician mutually acceptable to the parties.

IN-SERVICE TRAINING

- A. Members of the unit may attend in-service training courses during the calendar year. The determination of which members shall attend and which in-service training courses they, shall take, if any, shall be made by the Chief. The Chief's determination shall be reasonable.
- B. Each member of the Department attending school pursuant to Section A above, shall be reimbursed for all expenses, which shall include a sum not to exceed Ten (\$10.00) Dollars for a meal per day.

JOINT PBA - MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

- A. A committee consisting of the Borough Manager or his designee and a committee representing the PBA shall be established for the purpose of reviewing the administration of the Agreement and to resolve problems that may arise. Said committee will meet when necessary and required. These meeting are not intended to bypass the grievance procedures or to be considered contract negotiation meetings.
- B. The purpose and intent of such meetings is to foster good employment relations through communications between the Employer and the PBA on such matters:
 - (1) Discussion of questions arising over the interpretation and application of this Agreement;
 - (2) Disseminating general information of interest to the parties;
 - (3) Giving PBA representatives the opportunity to express their views or to make suggestions on subjects of interest to Employees of the Bargaining unit;
 - (4) The promotion of education and training;
 - (5) The elimination of waste and the conservation of materials and supplies;
 - (6) The improvement of working conditions, the safeguarding of health and prevention of hazards to life and property and the strengthening of the morale of the Employees.

PAST PRACTICE CLAUSE

- A. The parties agree that all benefits, rights, duties, obligations and conditions of employment relating to the status of Borough of Lodi Police Officers, which benefits, rights, duties, obligations, terms and conditions of employment are not specifically set forth in this Agreement, shall be maintained at not less than the highest standards in effect at the time of the commencement of collective bargaining negotiations between the parties leading to the execution of this Agreement.
- B. Unless a contrary intent is expressed in this
 Agreement, all existing benefits, rights, duties, obligations and
 conditions of employment applicable to any Police Officer pursuant
 to any rules, regulations, instruction, directive, memorandum,
 statute or otherwise shall not be limited, restricted, impaired,
 removed or abolished.

ARTICLE 51

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

- A. When an Officer has worked overtime during any given week, the Superior Officer in charge of that tour shall submit a record of such overtime to the Chief's Office which will then submit same to the Treasurer's Office for payment to said Officer.
- B. <u>Time of Payment</u> Payment for overtime shall, if practicable, be made in the next paycheck following the overtime work.
- C. 1. Upon retirement, or death during employment, each Officer shall receive a lump sum cash payment as supplemental compensation for the full amount of earned and unused accumulated sick leave days, up to a maximum of one year (220 working days exclusive of vacation, holidays and personal days), which is credited to him on the effective date of his retirement.
- 2. The retiring Employee shall have the sole option to have the said Employee's benefit paid out in up to three payments over a period of up to eighteen (18) months. Money held by the public Employer during this period would not be at interest.
- 3. All persons with an effective hire date after January 1, 1992 but on or before July 1, 2013 shall receive no more that twenty-five (25%) percent of their then current annual salary as a cash payment upon retirement or death during

employment as supplemental compensation for the full earnedand unused accumulated sick leave days. Each Employee hired after January 1, 1992 but on or before July 1, 2013 shall be permitted the option to sell back up to 120 hours of sick time per year to be paid in the first payroll following December 1, of said year. Where such option is to be exercised the Employer shall be advised by November 1, of said same year.

- 4. All persons with an effective hire date after July 1, 2013 shall receive no more than fifteen (15%) of their current annual salary as a cash payment upon retirement or death during employment as supplemental compensation for the full amount of earned and unused accumulated sick leave days. Each employee hired after July 1, 2013 shall be permitted the option to sell back up to 120 hours of sick time per year to be paid in the first payroll following December 1st of said year. Where such option is exercised the employer shall be advised by November 1st of said same year.
- D. The established annual salary shall mean base salary plus, Senior Officer Differential where applicable plus longevity pay.
- E. Members appointed to the department after January $1^{\rm st}$ of the year shall be considered to have been appointed as of January $1^{\rm st}$ of that year for the purpose of determining salary benefits,

longevity, vacations, increments, and all other fringe benefits.

This clause in no way effects the seniority rights of any member.

Seniority rights shall be determined by the actual appointment.

- F. Payment for vacation periods shall be made on the established payday of the week prior to the Officer's starting his vacation.
- G. Hardware items such as hand guns if damaged in the line of duty, holsters, handcuffs and cases, night stick, safety helmets, badges, and mace, shall be purchased and supplied by the Employer and replaced if not in working order or in poor condition.
- H. The Employer shall have the right to utilize a twice monthly (15th and 30th) payroll. If the 15th or 30th falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or holiday, the payroll shall be paid on the preceding Friday.
- I. Those who work while Borough Hall is closed during an emergency declared by the Borough Manager shall get time and a half based on their regular rate of pay for hours actually worked.

ARTICLE 52

OUTSIDE EMPLOYMENT ACTIVITIES

- A. Officers shall be entitled to engage in any lawful activity and obtain any lawful work while off-duty.
- B. It is understood that the full time Officers will consider their position with the Borough as their primary employment. Any outside employment or activity must not interfere with the Officer's efficiency in his position with the Borough and must not constitute any conflict of interest.
- C. No Officer planning to or engaging in any outside employment or activity during their off-duty hours shall be permitted to wear the regulation uniform without permission of the Chief.
- D. All outside employment shall be listed with Chief. The information provided to the Chief, shall include the outside Employer's name, address and the Officers's work schedule.

ARTICLE 53

POLICE SERVICES

- A. All requests for services of Police Officers while off duty that may be addressed to the public Employer shall be forwarded to the Police Department for posting. All such requests are subject to approval and reasonable limitation by the Chief of Police. The public Employer agrees to require a Police Officer on all contracting jobs done within the Borough where there is a road opening involved. Any time there is a road opening or significant street repair as determined by the Chief of Police or his designee, the Employer agrees to require as a condition of the letting of the job that the contractor agreed to provide at lease one (1) Police Officer to provide public safety and security at the location of the work site.
- B. The public Employer further agrees that all monies received from such contracting work shall be paid through the Employer's payroll process and the law enforcement Officer while so employed shall be treated in all respects as an Employee of the public Employer, however, hours worked on such off-duty Police services shall not be considered for purposes of calculating overtime pursuant to 29 C.F.R. 553.227. All qualified Police Officers seeking to perform such services shall be eligible to perform same on a rotating non-discriminatory basis, subject to the approval of the Chief of Police. The

performance of such work shall be at each Police Officer's own option. Police Officers engaging in these services shall observe their normal standards of conduct while performing such work and shall be subject to disciplinary action for failure to do so.

- C. (1) Except with regard to existing contracts already in place, where the request for police services is made by a "for profit entity," the off duty pay rate shall be one hundred ten (\$110.00) dollars per hour of which seventy-five (\$75.00) dollars shall be payable to the Police Officer and thirty-five (\$35.00) dollars to the Borough for an Administrative fee.
- (2) Except with regard to existing contracts already in place, where the request for Police services is made by a "non-profit entity" (such as the Board of Education or a religious organization), the off duty pay rate for non-regular work shall be forty (\$40.00) dollars per hour of which thirty (\$30.00) dollars shall be payable to the Police Officer and ten (\$10.00) dollars to the Borough for an Administrative fee.
- (3) Paragraphs (C)(1) and (C)(2) shall be subject to the introduction, publication and passage of a Borough Ordinance reflecting the foregoing.

ARTICLE 54

TERM OF CONTRACT

The term of this Agreement shall be from January 1, 2013 though December 31, 2014 or until such time as a successor Agreement is executed.

WITNESS

BOROUGH OF LODI

WITNESS

MARK J. GRRADO

BA IOCAL 26 (Lodi Unit) FRANK U. NERANTOLA

APPENDIX A

SALARY SCALE

Effective

Effective

01/01/13

01/01/14

ENTRY				
1st Six Months	\$37,059	\$37,059		
2 nd Six Months	\$43,599	\$43,599		
STEP 1	\$47,959	\$47,959		
STEP 2	\$59,038	\$59,038		
STEP 3	\$70,118	\$70,118		
STEP 4	\$81,197	\$81,197		
STEP 5	\$92,277	\$92,277	·	
STEP 6	\$103,357	\$103,357		·
STEP 7 (MAXIMUM)	\$116,499	\$117,169		
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SERGEANT	\$123,499	\$124,169		
LIEUTENANT	\$130,499	\$131,169		
CAPTAIN	\$137,499	\$138,169	-	,

APPENDIX B

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The following is the list of a complete uniform:

- A. Academy Uniforms:
 - 2 long sleeve shirts
 - 2 pairs of pants
 - 2 black ties
 - hat
 - 1 pair of shoes
- B. Duty Uniforms:
 - 2 long sleeve shirts
 - 2 short sleeve shirts
 - 2 pair of pants
 - 2 blue ties
 - hat
 - 1 black leather jacket
 - 1 Garrison belt (needed in academy)
 - 2 name tags (needed in academy)
 - I tie clip (needed in academy)
 - 1 set of collar insignia
 - 1 rain coat
 - 1 rain hat
 - 1 pair rain boots
 - 3 badges

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1 hat badge

- C. Leather Gear: (needed in academy)
 - 1 gun belt
 - 1 holster
 - 1 magazine holder
 - 1 pair of handcuffs
 - 1 handcuff holder
 - 4 belt keepers
 - Î PR 24 holder
 - 1 radio holder
 - 1 PR 24

APPENDIX C

TWELVE HOUR SHIFT

THREE/TWO SCHEDULE

A duty day for each Police Officer working the 3/2 schedule shall consist of the following:

- 1. Each work day shall consist of twelve (12) hours.
- 2. Each work day will provide for one (1) forty-five (45) minute meal period and three (3) fifteen (15) minute breaks.
- 3. Each Officer shall have a minimum of at least eight (8) hours off before and after assigned shift.
 - 4. The work week will be as follows:

MON. OFF	TUE. OFF	<u>WED.</u> WORK	THUR. WORK	<u>FRI.</u> OFF	SAT.	SUN.
MON. WORK	TUE. WORK	WED.	THUR.	<u>FRI.</u> WORK	<u>SAT.</u> WORK	SUN. WORK

5. The 3/2 schedule twelve (12) hour duty days calls for a total of 2,190 hours to be worked by each member. The current agreement between the Borough and PBA #26 requires each member to work 2080 hours per year at straight time, the Borough agrees to give back to each member 110 hours in compensatory bank time per (00134925.DOC)

year so that each member will continue to work 2080 hours per year.

WORK SCHEDULE

Shift Schedule: Members shall pick either day or night shift based on their preference in seniority if and when a non-rotating shift schedule is implemented. The 3/2 schedule shall consist of two (2) platoons, each with two (2) shifts; each shift shall be twelve (12) hours in duration. When platoon A is working Platoon B shall be off:

Day shift

0600-1800 hours

Night shift

1800-0600 hours

Example: Assuming 28 Officers assigned to Patrol Bureau:

A Platoon

B Platoon

Day Shift = 7 Officers

7 Officers

Night shift = 7 Officers

7 Officers

Other bureaus within the department not utilizing the 3/2 schedule shall meet with the Chief of Police or his designee to determine shift scheduling for their respective bureau.

MANNING AND SHIFT SELECTION

Number of Men assigned to each shift: The number of men on any shift will be determined by the Chief of Police or his designee using current department rules, {00134925,DOC}

regulations, department needs and current crime statistics.

VACATION TIME

Each member working the 3/2 schedule shall receive the vacation allowance as Article 20 and present practice will remain in effect.

	8 hr 1	2 hour
	<u>Day</u>	conversion allocation
1 to 4 years of service	11 days -	88 hours
Start of 5th year of service	15 days -	120 hours
Start of 10 th year of service	20 days -	160 hours
Start of 15th year of service	25 days -	200 hours
Start of 20th year of service	30 days -	240 hours

HOLIDAYS

Each member working the 3/2/ schedule shall receive the following holiday time off per year:

Thirteen (13) 8 hour days off

Each member shall use fifty-two (52) hours of compensatory time off per year added to the above holidays so that each member will then receive:

Thirteen (13) 12 hour days off

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Each member shall be allowed to sell back two (2) twelve (12) hour days at time and one-half in accordance with Article 21. In addition each member will also have the option to sell back all the remaining twelve (12) hour holidays at straight rate to be paid December 1. The Employee will either submit in writing in January of each calendar year of his/her intention to sell all of his days, or if the Employee elects to only sell a portion of said days, he/she will submit in writing prior to July 1 of the calendar year. All members will schedule seven (7) days with the Chief of Police prior to January 31 of the calendar year. However this will not restrict said Employee from changing the scheduled day off with permission from the Chief to another scheduled day, or so that he can opt to sell said day as per allowance. The Employer agrees not to cancel any scheduled holiday days to avoid test minute overtime.

PERSONAL DAYS

Each member working the 3/2 schedule shall receive the following personal time off per year.

Five (5)

8 hour days off

Each member shall use twenty (20) hours of compensatory time off per year added to the above five (5) personal days so that each member will receive:

Five (5)

12 hour days off

Three of the above personal days will be considered emergent days and will remain (00134925.DOC)

as per Article 42. The designated "Emergent Days" shall not be denied due to Employer exposure to overtime costs. The "non-emergent" personal leave days may be denied due to overtime exposure.

SICK TIME

Sick Time Under the 3/2 schedule each member shall receive ten (10) twelve (12) hour days per calendar year.

Any accumulated sick time to be taken in pay upon a member's retirement shall continue to be accumulated as eight (8) hour days under this agreement, with accumulated time to be converted into hours and divided by 12.

BEREAVEMENT LEAVE

Bereavement Leave shall remain at three (3) twelve (12) hour days for immediate family and one (1) twelve (12) hour day off for aunt, uncle, nephew, or niece with pay.

Bereavement time will be taken in consecutive work days.

OVERTIME

Overtime is defined as any work in excess of the basic twelve (12) hour work day or any work on a regular day off as defined by the 3/2 work schedule.

TRAINING

All department training and in service classes shall be considered a member's duty day when training falls on a day a member is regularly scheduled to work, except for {00134925,DOC}

training such as Right to know, blood borne pathogens and similar training.

Hourly Rate To compute the base hourly rate of an employee for overtime or other purposes when working the 3/2 (12) hour day schedule, the employee's established annual salary shall be divided by 2080 hours.

<u>Time to be carried over:</u> all outstanding accumulated time to be carried over from the previous year shall be converted into hours and divided by 12 with the exception of sick time.

<u>Compensatory/Bank Time:</u> The remaining thirty-six (36) hours of compensatory time will be paid at straight tine rate to each member in June of each calendar year.

APPENDIX D

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for employees to compare the benefits of the medical plans offered by the State Health Benefits Program (SHBP). If you are new to the SHBP, or a member who is considering a different medical plan, the Plan Comparison Summary is a useful resource for selecting a plan. For members who want to know more about their current plan, the Plan Comparison Summary is a quick reference to the services offered.

The following sections summarize plan designs and general policies of the SHBP. Inside, the comparison chart summarizes the benefits each plan provides for specified services.

MEDICAL PLANS

Local Government employees are offered the choice of a Preferred Provider Organization, with two options known as NJ DIRECT10 and NJ DIRECT15 (administered by Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield of New Jersey), and two HMO plans — Aetna HMO and CIGNA HealthCare.

All of the medical plans are managed care plans, meaning that they provide coverage for preventive care such as annual checkups and screening tests, well-baby visits, and immunizations, in the hope of avoiding serious illness and more costly treatment.

NJ DIRECT10 and NJ DIRECT15 provide both innetwork and out-of-network medical care. Under NJ DIRECT10 and NJ DIRECT15, members may see any physician, nationwide, and do not need to select a Primary Care Physician (PCP) for in-network care.

In-network care is provided through a network of providers that includes intemists, general practitioners, specialists, pediatricians, and hospitals.

No referrals are needed for visits to a specialist if the physician participates in the Horizon BCBSNJ Managed Care Network, the member only pays the appropriate copayment. Members living outside of New Jersey can utilize physicians participating in the national Blue Cross Blue Shield Network. In-network hospital admissions are also covered in full.

If the physician does not participate in the Horizon BCBSNJ Managed Care Network or the national network, the services will be considered out-of-network. Contact your doctor to see if he or she participates in the Horizon BCBSNJ Managed Care or national network. To find current participating physicians contact Horizon BCBSNJ directly. Plan telephone numbers and Web site addresses are listed on the comparison charts.

Out-of-network benefits provide reimbursement for eligible services rendered for the treatment of liness and injury. Most out-of-network care is reimbursed at a percentage of "reasonable and customary" allowances after a member's annual deductible is met. Out-of-network hospital admissions are subject to a separate deductible.

NJ DIRECT10 and NJ DIRECT15 include annual maximum out-of pocket amounts. This means that when a member's, or family's, out-of-pocket maximum is reached, covered benefits are paid at 100 percent of the allowance through the remainder of the calendar year's.

Aetna HMO and CIGNA HealthCare have expanded networks that provide services nationwide. When you enroll in an HMO you must select a Primary Care Physician (PCP) from a group of participating providers contracted by the HMO.

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¹ Certain in-network covered benefits require 10% member coincurates.

² Certain services may require pre-certification from Horizon BCBSNJ. Services that require a pre-certification, but are not pre-certified, will be paid at out-of-network benefit levels and will not count towards out-of-pocket maximums.

--All services, except emergencies and as Indicated on the enclosed comparison chart, are coordinated through your PCP. If you require the care of a specialist, your PCP will refer you to a specialist who participates in the HMO network. Electronic referrals are used by the HMOs and, therefore, no paperwork is required. Specialist services rendered without a valid referral, or by a provider who does not participate in the HMO (except for emergencies), will not be pald by the HMO.

HMOs have no deductibles (except for durable medical equipment) or claim forms to file, however, you are required to pay a copayment for visits to your PCP or a referred specialist. There are no out-of-network benefits, or out-of-pocket maximum amounts under an HMO plan.

If you are considering an HMO, contact your doctor's office to see if they participate in the HMO you have selected. To find current participating physicians contact the HMO directly. Plan telephone numbers and Web site addresses are listed on the comparison charls.

DEFINITIONS

A copayment is the fee paid by the member to the in-network physician at the time covered services are rendered.

Colnsurance is the portion of the eligible charge that is the member's responsibility for out-of-network and some in-network services (durable medical equipment and ambulance). When utilizing out-of-network providers, charges above the "reasonable and customary" allowance are the member's responsibility but are not considered "colnsurance" for the purposes of out-of-pocket maximums.

Pre-certification requires that the member (or the treating physician/iacility) receive prior authorization from the medical plan to determine medical necessity before certain services are provided. Some examples of services that require pre-certification are inpatient admissions, reconstructive procedures, durable medical equipment purchases, specialty pharmaceuticals, hospice, and home health care. A detailed list is available from your medical plan.

DUAL HMO ENROLLMENT IS PROHIBITED

State statute specifically prohibits two employees/ retirees who are both enrolled in the SHBP or School Employees' Health Benefits Program (SEHBP) and who are married to each other, civil union partners, or eligible domestic partners from enrolling under both of the SHBP/SEHBP HMO plans. One member may belong to an HMO as an employee or as a dependent but not as both.

For example, if two members are maried to each other, each may enroll for single coverage under each of the HMOs, or one member can enroll the other as a dependent under an HMO if the other person enrolls in NJ DIRECT10 or NJ DIRECT15.

Furthermore, two members cannot both cover the same children as dependents under both of the HMO plans.

In cases of divorce, dissolution of a civil union or domestic partnership, or single parent coverage of dependents, there is no coordination of benefits under two HMO plans.

AUDIT OF DEPENDENT COVERAGE

Periodically, the Division of Pensions and Benefits performs an audit using a random sample of members to determine if dependents are eligible under plan provisions. Proof of dependency such as a marnage, civil union, or birth certificate is required. Coverage for ineligible dependents will be terminated. Failure to respond to the audit will result in the termination of dependents from coverage and may include financial restitution for claims paid.

HEALTH CARE FRAUD

Health care fraud is an intentional deception or misrepresentation that results in an unauthorized benefit to a member or to some other person. Any individual who willfully and knowingly engages in an activity intended to defraud the SHBP will face disciplinary action that could include termination of employment and may result in prosecution. Any member who receives monies fraudulently from a health plan will be required to fully reimburse the plan.

MORE INFORMATION

For more information about eligibility and enrollment, see the NJ DIRECT, Aetna HMO or CIGNA HealthCare Member Handbooks — available over the Internet from the Division of Pensions and Benefits at: www.state.nl.us/treasury/pensions/

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³ Biologically-based mental health conditions are treated like any other illness and not subject to annual or lifetime mental health dollar maximums or separate mental health visit ilmits.

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⁴ NJ DIRECT10 emergency room copayment is \$25; NJ DIRECT15 emergency room copayment is \$50.

⁵ Most disease management programs provide educational materials, and in some cases, individualized case management for members with an emphasis on health education and behavior modification.

⁶ Under NJ DIRECT15, only coinsurance goes toward in-network out-of-pocket expenses.

⁷ Mental Health Maximums: \$15,000 annual; \$50,000 illetime. Up to \$2,000 restoration feature each year with a lifetime maximum of \$50,000. Biologically-based mental health conditions are treated like any other litness and not subject to annual or lifetime mental health visit finits.

APRESCRIPTION DRUGTCOVERAGE. OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT, EMPLOYEE

Employers have the option of providing the Employee Prescription Drug Plan, or another non-SHBP drug plan, as a separate prescription drug benefit.

If no separate prescription drug plan is provided, prescription drug coverage will be determined by the medical plan in which the member is enrolled as noted below.

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Employers have the option to offer the Employee Dental Plans, or another dental plan, as a separate dental benefit, if provided by your employer, the Employee Dental Plans offer two basic types of plan: the Dental Expense Plan, and a selection of Dental Plan Organizations (DPOs). For more information, see the Employee Dental Plans Member Handbook which is available from the Division of Pensions and Benefits on our Web site at:

www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/

If your employer offers another dental plan, contact your benefits administrator for plan information.

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Coverage for a dependent child ends on December 31 of the year in which the child turns age 23. When a covered child turns age 23, you will receive a COBRA notice outlining the right to purchase continued health coverage for up to 36 months. However, under the provisions of Chapter 375, PL. 2005, a child who is under age 31, may be eligible for continued medical and prescription drug coverage at a lesser cost than COBRA. See Fact Sheet 174, Health Benefits Coverage of Children Until Age 31. Continued dental and vision coverage may be available under COBRA.

If a covered child is not capable of self-support when he or she reaches age 23 due to mental illness or incapacity, or a physical disability, the child may be eligible for a continuance of coverage. A Continuance for Dependent with Disabilities form and proof of the child's condition must be submitted no more than 31 days after the date that coverage would end. Since coverage ends on December 31 of the year the child turns 23, you usually have until January 31 to tile the form. See Fact Sheet #51, Continuing Health Benefits Coverage for Over Age Children with Disabilities.

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