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COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT

Between

River Edge, Borough of
BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE

and

RIVER EDGE PBA LOCAL NO. 201

(THE RIVER EDGE POLICE DEPARTMENT)

for

JANUARY 1, 1984 through DECEMBER 31, 1986

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AGREEMENT BETWEEN
BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE
RIVER EDGE PBA LOCAL #201 (THE RIVER EDGE POLICE DEPARTMENT)

THIS AGREEMENT made on the 22 day of July, 1985
by and between the BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE, with its principal place
of business at 705 Kinderkamack Road, River Edge, New Jersey,
hereinafter called "The Borough", and RIVER EDGE PBA LOCAL #201,
affiliated with the NEW JERSEY STATE POLICEMEN'S BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION,
hereinafter called "The PBA" with its principal place of business,
care of the River Edge Police Department, 705 Kinderkamack Road,
River Edge, New Jersey.

WHEREAS, both parties to this Agreement have reached an
understanding with respect to the employer, employee relationship
existing between them, and wish to enter into an agreement,

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the terms, conditions
and mutual promises and covenants hereinafter set forth, the parties
agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1

TERM OF AGREEMENT

(1) The term of this Agreement shall be from January 1, 1984
to December 31, 1986, and it shall take effect upon execution by both
parties. All economic aspects of this Agreement are retroactive to
January 1, 1984 unless otherwise specifically provided herein.

(2) In the event the parties do not enter into a new
agreement on or before midnight of December 31, 1986, then this
Agreement shall continue in full force and effect from month to month,
subject to being terminated upon written notice by either party at
least thirty (30) days prior to any intended expiration date. In any
event, any renegotiation shall be pursuant to the rules of the Public
Employment Relations Commission.

(4) The duly authorized negotiating agents of either the Borough or the PBA are not required to be employees of the Borough.

ARTICLE 3

PROBATIONARY PERIOD

(1) All employees hired after the date of this Agreement shall be probationary employees for a period of one (1) year commencing on the date of hire.

(2) Probationary employees may be terminated or otherwise disciplined during the probationary period without recourse to ^{any} grievance or arbitration/ _{procedure.} If so terminated, such employees shall be told the reasons for the termination and shall have the right to a hearing before the Mayor and Council.

(3) Probationary employees shall have the right to grieve, but not to arbitrate, the same disputes as other employees except there is no right to grieve or arbitrate discipline or termination.

ARTICLE 4

APPLICABLE LAW

The parties recognize and affirm that their relationship is governed by the New Jersey Public Employment Relations Act, Chapter 303 of the Laws of the 1968 (N.J.S.A. 34:13A-1, et seq.) and that they are bound by the rules and regulations of the New Jersey Public Employment Relations Commission. However either party to the extent permitted by law may appeal an adverse decision of the aforesaid Commission to a court of competent jurisdiction.

ARTICLE 5

CHECKOFF

(1) The Borough agrees to deduct from the pay of each employee in the bargaining unit, a sum certified in writing by the treasurer of the PBA to be uniform PBA dues and/or initiation fees; such deductions will be made only upon receipt by the Borough of a card authorizing said payroll deductions which is signed by the employee.

(3) All notices shall be served by either party on the other party stating such intention to terminate or amend this Agreement and shall be sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, in the case of the Borough to the Borough Clerk at the Municipal Building, and in the case of the Employees to the PBA Local #201, River Edge Police Department.

(4) The parties agree that they will exchange proposals for any proposed changes in this Agreement pursuant to the rules of the Public Employment Relations Commission.

(5) The parties further agree that salary negotiations for 1987 will begin on or about September 1, 1986.

ARTICLE 2

RECOGNITION

(1) The Borough recognizes the River Edge PBA Local #201 as the sole and exclusive bargaining agent of the bargaining unit for hours, wages and terms and conditions of employment. The bargaining unit shall consist of all full time law enforcement personnel of the River Edge Police Department, (with the exception of the Chief of Police and Captain of Police).

(2) Those PBA members designated as the negotiating committee may attend all collective negotiations with the Borough provided that those men on duty at the time shall be on call with the additional provision that such absence from regular work assignments will not seriously interfere with the Borough's operations, and shall have the approval of the Chief of Police. Members of the PBA's negotiating committee on duty at the time that the negotiation sessions are being held shall suffer no loss of regular straight time pay for time spent on such negotiations.

(3) Collective negotiating meetings shall be held at times and places mutually convenient at the request of either the Borough or the Employees.

(2) The card shall be in a form agreed to by the Borough and the PBA and shall be irrevocable for the length of this Agreement.

(3) The card shall be filed with the Borough Clerk of the Borough and shall become effective in the first pay period of the first month after it has been received.

(4) The deductions shall be made from the first pay period of each month and said deductions shall be mailed within five (5) working days to the treasurer of the PBA together with a list of the names of the employees from whose pay such deductions have been made.

(5) The remittance will be deemed correct if the PBA does not give written notice to the Borough within fifty-six (56) calendar days after receipt of the same of its belief that the remittance is believed to be incorrect. The PBA assumes full responsibility for the remittance upon receipt of the same.

(6) The Borough shall have no responsibility for collection of fees or dues which are not expressly stated in the Agreement.

(7) The PBA agrees to indemnify and hold the Borough harmless from any claim or action commenced by an employee against the Borough which arises out of the aforesaid deduction.

ARTICLE 6

CONDUCT OF PBA BUSINESS ON BOROUGH PREMISES

The PBA Local shall be permitted the use of the garage in the rear of Police Headquarters (commonly referred to as the Police Reserve Building), for regular monthly meetings.

ARTICLE 7A

BULLETIN BOARDS

(1) The Borough shall supply one (1) bulletin board of suitable size for exclusive use by the PBA at a place which is convenient for all employees in the bargaining unit. Said bulletin board shall be used only for notices pertaining to PBA business and shall not contain any partisan political material or material degrading to the Borough or

its employees. It shall be the duty of the PBA President to supervise the contents of the bulletin board.

(2) All material to be posted on the bulletin board shall be submitted for approval to the Chief of Police, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld.

ARTICLE 7B

PERSONNEL FILES

(1) 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 of Police.

(2) Any member of the Police Department may by appointment review his personnel file. This appointment for review must be made through the Chief of Police or his designated representative.

(3) 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 shall be permitted to place said rebuttal in his file.

(4) All personal history files will be carefully maintained and safeguarded permanently. Nothing placed in any file shall be removed therefrom.

ARTICLE 8

STEWARDS

(1) PBA President or the Vice-President acting in his absence, shall have the right to receive and present grievances in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement.

(2) The President or the Vice-President may attempt to settle a grievance during working hours without loss of pay, provided the time specified meets with the approval of the Chief of Police.

ARTICLE 9

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

(1) A permanent full time employee may request a personal leave of absence for good cause without pay for a period not to exceed twenty-four (24) working days. Leave may be granted with the approval of the Chief of Police and at the discretion of the Council and subject to the needs of the Borough.

(2) A leave of absence may be renewed upon request of the employee and it may be granted for reasons deemed proper by the Chief of Police and at the discretion of the Council.

(3) The Council reserves the right to revoke a leave of absence for good cause for emergency reasons upon written notice of ten (10) working days.

(4) All decisions of the Council regarding leaves of absence shall be discretionary.

(5) At the expiration of such leave, the employee shall be returned to the position from which he is on leave and shall be entitled to all increases granted during his leave for his job title. There shall be no retroactive pay pursuant to this Article.

(6) During all personal leaves of absence, seniority shall be retained.

ARTICLE 10

DISCHARGE AND DISCIPLINE

(1) A permanent employee covered by this Agreement may be discharged, suspended or otherwise disciplined for just cause according to State law.

(2) Any discharge, suspension or other discipline which results in loss of pay shall be subject to grievance and arbitration as set forth hereinbelow. Letters of reprimand or verbal warnings shall be subject to grievance but not arbitration.

(3) A grievance by an employee claiming that he has been unfairly discharged or suspended must be submitted to the Council in writing, within 14 working days of the disciplinary action.

(4) Any employee whose grievance has been sustained shall be returned to his former position and will be compensated at his regular rate of pay for all or any portion of pay lost during the period of discharge or suspension.

ARTICLE 11

MANAGEMENT RIGHTS

Nothing in this Agreement shall interfere with the right of the Borough in accordance with applicable law, rules and regulations to:

(1) Carry out the statutory mandate and goals assigned to municipality utilizing personnel, equipment, methods and means in the most appropriate and efficient manner possible.

(2) Manage employees of the Borough, to hire, promote, transfer, assign or retain employees in positions with the Borough and in that regard establish work rules, in accordance with Borough Ordinance and State Laws.

(3) Suspend, demote, discharge or take other appropriate disciplinary action against an employee for reasonable cause, in accordance with Borough Ordinance and State Laws.

(4) The Borough is not obligated to negotiate, grieve or arbitrate on such issues as would significantly interfere with the exercise of inherent managerial prerogatives pertaining to the determination of governmental policy.

ARTICLE 12

RULES AND REGULATIONS

Proposed new work rules or modifications of existing rules governing working conditions shall be announced in advance and discussed with the members of the Police Department before they are established.

ARTICLE 13

GRIEVANCES

(1) Definition (effect from contract signing).

(A) The term "grievance" is hereby defined as any difference or dispute between the Borough and any employee, or group of employees covered by this Agreement arising over the interpretation of employees covered by this Agreement. This grievance procedure or adherence to the terms of this Agreement. This grievance procedure is further meant to provide means by which employees covered by this Agreement may appeal the interpretation, application or violation of policies, agreements, and administrative decisions effecting them.

(2) Purpose.

(A) The purpose of this procedure is to secure, at the lowest possible level, an equitable solution to problems, which may arise. The parties agree that this procedure will be kept as informal as may be appropriate.

(B) Nothing herein contained shall be construed as limiting the right of any employee, or group of employees, having a grievance to discuss the matter informally with any appropriate member of the departmental supervisory staff and having the grievance adjusted without the intervention of the PBA.

(3) Steps of the Grievance Procedure.

(A) The following constitutes the sole and exclusive method for resolving grievances between the parties covered by this Agreement and shall be followed in its entirety unless any step is waived by mutual consent:

STEP ONE

(1) An aggrieved employee or employees shall institute action under the provisions hereof, within 14 calendar days of the occurrence, or his knowledge of the occurrence, of the grievance and an earnest effort shall be made to settle the differences between the

aggrieved employee (s) and his (their) immediate supervisor for the purpose of resolving the matter informally. Failure to act within said 14 days shall be deemed to constitute an abandonment of the grievance. The grievant shall have the right to state the action requested to be taken.

(2) The supervisor shall render a decision, in writing, within 7 calendar days after receipt of the grievance.

(3) A failure to respond within the prescribed time period shall be deemed a denial of the grievance at this step.

STEP TWO

(1) In the event a satisfactory settlement has not been reached, or the supervisor has not rendered his decision as required above, the employee (s) shall, in writing, and signed, file his (their) grievance with the Police Chief (or his representative) within 7 calendar days following the determination by the supervisor. An earnest effort shall be made to settle the grievance informally by the Police Chief.

(2) The Police Chief, or his representative, shall render a decision, in writing, within 14 calendar days from the receipt of the grievance.

(3) A failure to respond within the prescribed time period shall be deemed a denial of the grievance at this step.

STEP THREE

(1) In the event the grievance has not been resolved at Step Two, then within 14 calendar days following the determination at Step Two, the matter may be submitted to the Mayor and Council of the Borough. An earnest effort shall be made to settle the grievance informally by the Mayor and Council. The Borough Clerk shall be deemed the agent of the Mayor and Council to receive the grievance.

(2) The Mayor and Council of the Borough shall review the matter and make a determination within 30 calendar days from the receipt of the grievance.

(3) A failure to respond within the prescribed time period shall be deemed a denial of the grievance at this step.

STEP FOUR - ARBITRATION

(1) If a grievance is not settled at Step Three, such grievance shall, at the request of the grievant, be referred to the Public Employment Relations Commission for selection of an arbitrator according to its rules. Such referral must be made within 14 calendar days of the denial of the grievance at Step Three. Failure to proceed within the time set forth for arbitration shall be deemed a waiver of the right to arbitration.

(2) The decision of the arbitrator shall be final and binding upon the parties. The expense of such arbitration shall be borne equally by the parties.

(3) The arbitrator appointed under the above procedure shall be limited to interpretations of this Agreement. He shall have no power to enlarge upon or reduce the obligations of the parties under the Agreement.

(4) A failure to respond within the prescribed time period shall be deemed a denial of the grievance at this step.

ARTICLE 14

OVERTIME

(1) It is recognized that the needs of the Borough may require overtime work beyond the employee's standard daily or weekly schedule, although it is the policy of the Borough to avoid the necessity of overtime work wherever possible.

(2) The Chief of Police and the Borough shall have authority in their sole discretion to declare an emergency as "emergency" is defined in N.J.S. 40A:14-134.

(3) In all situations of earned overtime, employees shall be compensated at one and one-half (1-1/2) times the regular rates of pay. Such compensation may be taken as paid compensation (time and one-half the employee's hourly rate of pay) or as compensatory time off (one and one-half hours off for each hour of overtime worked) at the employee's sole option. If compensatory time is elected by the employee, then such time shall be taken subject to Departmental approval. If accrued time is not taken or scheduled by November 15th, then it is to be paid as paid overtime compensation not later than December 15th.

(4) The current schedule of work for the Police Department is incorporated herein and made a part hereof. The overtime shall be computed on all work performed in excess of eight (8) hours of a completed tour of duty. It shall also be computed for work performed in excess of a forty (40) hour week based on the fifty-six (56) day schedule attached, e.g.

(A) Patrolman works nine (9) hours in one tour of duty. He would receive one (1) hour overtime.

(B) Patrolman's normal tour for a week is thirty-two (32) hours and the following week, normal tour is six (6) days at eight (8) hours, or forty-eight (48) hours. He would not receive any overtime. If on the basis of the fifty-six (56) day schedule, he only worked forty (40) hours average for each week in that cycle, then the patrolman shall not be eligible for overtime except for each hour of work, which he may have performed in one day which exceed eight (8) hours for such day.

(5) For hours worked in excess of forty (40) hours in the regularly scheduled work week, the Borough will pay one and one-half (1-1/2) times the regular rate of pay.

(6) For purposes of computing overtime and determining whether an employee is entitled to the overtime pay, the vacation days and holidays which are recognized by the Borough shall be considered as eight (8) hours worked by an employee.

(7) All overtime work performed on Saturday and Sunday, shall be compensated at double the regular rate of pay. Said double time may be taken as double paid compensation or compensatory time off at the double time rate at the employee's sole option. If the employee elects compensatory time, it shall be taken subject to Departmental approval. If accrued time is not used or scheduled by November 15th, then it shall be paid at the double time rate by December 15th.

(8) During hours worked in excess of eight (8) hours a day, employees shall receive appropriate meal and rest periods as provided by law.

ARTICLE 15

HOLIDAYS OR DAYS OFF IN LIEU OF STATE HOLIDAYS

(1) There are recognized twelve (12) paid holidays for all Borough employees during each calendar year, as follows:

New Years Day	Labor Day
Lincoln's Birthday	Columbus Day
Washington's Birthday	Veteran's Day
Good Friday	General Election Day
Memorial Day	Thanksgiving Day
Independence Day	Christmas Day

Inasmuch as Police Department employees are not entitled to days off on the above named holidays, any Police Department employee may, at his option, obtain a day off in lieu of each of the above named holidays, and in such event will receive no additional compensation for such days off.

(2) In the event that an employee of the Police Department does not take compensatory time off in lieu of the above named holidays, during the calendar year such employee shall be compensated at the overtime rate of one and one-half (1-1/2) times the regular rate of pay for a maximum of twelve (12) days

(3) If any other group of employees is granted an additional holiday, the same benefit will be granted to the employees covered by this Agreement.

(4) If the Borough declares Martin Luther King Day to be a holiday then the employees covered by this Agreement shall receive the holiday.

ARTICLE 16

LONGEVITY PAY

(1) In addition to their annual rate of pay as set forth in Schedule "A", employees shall also, during _____ of the years of employment specified below, receive a percentage of their base annual rate of pay as specified.

<u>During Years of Employment</u>	<u>Effective 1/1/84</u>	<u>Effective 1/1/85</u>	<u>Effective 1/1/86</u>
0-4	0	0	0
5-8	1	2	2
9-12	2	3	4
13-16	3	4	6
17-20	4	5	8
21-24	5	6	10 * *
25 and over	6	7	-

* * Effective January 1, 1986, all employees who have completed 20 or more years of employment shall receive 10% longevity pay.

(2) Longevity pay shall be paid in each regular pay period.

(3) The right to longevity pay shall accrue on the anniversary date of employment. For all purposes longevity pay shall be considered as base pay.

(4) If any other group of employees is granted additional longevity, then the same benefits will be granted to the employees covered by this Agreement.

ARTICLE 17

SICK LEAVE

(1) Sick Leave, as used herein, shall be defined as any illness, injury or disability that prevents an employee from performing his normal duties; or where an employee is quarantined because of exposure to a contagious disease or illness.

(2) The employee shall notify the Department at least one (1) hour prior to the commencement of his tour of duty whenever possible. Said notice shall state the nature of the cause of the absence from duty.

(3) Where an employee is out on sick leave for four (4) or more consecutive days, or where an employee has established a pattern of sick time use, the Department may, at its discretion, reasonably require the employee to submit acceptable medical evidence substantiating the absence.

(4) The Borough may require an examination by a physician retained by the Borough of an employee absent for medical reasons. However, such examination shall be at the sole cost and expense of the Borough and a copy of the results of such examination shall be supplied to the employee.

(5) All employees covered by this Agreement shall be granted unlimited sick leave on an "as needed" basis, up to a maximum of one (1) year for each occurrence of need.

(6) The employee organization recognizes the right of the employer to discipline, in accordance with applicable law, any employee who misrepresents facts or malingers under this clause.

The PBA in no way endorses or supports any person who misrepresents facts or malingers under this clause.

ARTICLE 18

BEREAVEMENT LEAVE

(1) Every permanent full time employee upon the death of a member of the immediate family shall be granted reasonable leave with pay at his regular rate not to exceed a maximum of three (3) days from the date of death to the day after interment. In determining reasonable leave, consideration shall be given to the relationship of the employee to the deceased and the responsibility for making funeral arrangements.

(2) A member of the immediate family is defined as spouse, sister or brother, or son or daughter, mother, father, father-in-law, mother-in-law, and grandparents.

(3) An employee must produce proof of death and relationship to obtain the benefits under this Article.

(4) If an out of state funeral requires additional time, leave may be granted at the discretion of the Chief of Police.

ARTICLE 19

VACATIONS

(1) Employees covered by this Agreement shall receive paid vacations at their regular rate of pay as provided in this Article. The vacation schedule reflected herein, is peculiar to the Police Department's eight (8) day work cycle and their eight (8) week work schedule.

(2) During the period beginning on the date of hire as a full time employee and ending on the first succeeding December 31st, an employee may earn up to twelve (12) working days vacation at the rate of one (1) day for each full month of employment provided that he has satisfactorily completed the probationary period. If an employee does not satisfactorily complete the probationary period or is discharged by the Borough he shall not be entitled to any vacation. If an employee begins work on or before the 15th of the month, he shall earn vacation credit for that month.

(3) During the second through the ninth years of full time employment, inclusive, an employee shall receive twelve (12) working days vacation.

(4) During the tenth year of full time employment an employee shall receive eighteen (18) working days vacation.

(5) During the eleventh through the fourteenth year of full time employment, inclusive, an employee shall receive eighteen (18) working days vacation.

(6) During the 15th through the 19th years of full time employment, inclusive, an employee shall receive 21 working days vacation.

(7) During the 20th year and all subsequent years of full time employment, an employee shall earn and receive 24 working days vacation.

(8) In arranging the vacation schedules, seniority shall be respected.

(9) In arranging schedules, vacations may be taken in single eight (8) hour tours at the discretion of the employee, with the approval of the Chief of Police.

(10) An employee leaving the employ of the Borough after proper notice and before the completion of an entire year shall be paid for the vacation due him on a prorated basis.

(11) If any greater vacation benefits are granted to or negotiated with any other group of Borough employees during the period of this Agreement, said benefits will be granted to the employees covered by this Agreement.

(12) Up to 6 vacation days may be carried over from 1 year to the next year, subject to the manpower needs of the Police Department. The permission of the Chief of Police to such carry over will not be unreasonably withheld.

ARTICLE 20

NON-DISCRIMINATION

There shall be no discrimination against any employee because of race, creed, color, sex, age or national origin.

ARTICLE 21

COURT TIME

The employee shall be paid for court appearances if such appearance is on behalf of the Borough, or the employee is called in his capacity as a Police Officer. Court time, when the same is overtime, shall be paid at the rate of time and / one-half (1-1/2) with a guarantee of two (2) hours.

ARTICLE 22

ON CALL DUTY

Members assigned to the Detective Bureau and the Juvenile Bureau shall receive four (4) hours compensatory "time off" for each day they are placed on an on call status for duty in the Detective Bureau. However, if a man is called to duty, the actual time spent on an assignment will be deducted from the four (4) hours compensatory "time off".

ARTICLE 23

RECALL TIME

If an employee is recalled to duty by the Borough two or more hours prior to start of their next regularly scheduled work day, then they shall be paid for the hours of recall at the rate of time and one-half (1-1/2) with a guarantee of two (2) hours.

ARTICLE 24

HEALTH AND WELFARE

(1) It is agreed that all health and welfare benefits presently in effect for all the employees covered by this Agreement which have been uniformly recognized or granted by the employer will remain in effect for the term of this Agreement, unless the same has been expressly abridged in writing, by this Agreement.

(2) Unless specifically stated to the contrary, there shall be no diminution of the present health and welfare benefits during the term of this Agreement.

(3) The Borough shall enroll employees that file the necessary and required statements in the New Jersey State Health Benefits Program as it exists on the date of this Agreement. Enrollment shall include the employee's dependents as defined by the plan. The full cost of the plan will be paid by the Borough.

(4) The Borough shall enroll employees that file the necessary and required statements in the New Jersey State Health Benefits Program which will become available (Blue Cross/Blue Shield, 14/20 Series) and continue the State Health Benefits Program during the term of this Agreement. Enrollment shall include the employee's dependents as defined by the plan. The full cost of the plan will be paid by the Borough.

(5) If, for any reason, the aforementioned plan or a part thereof, is withdrawn by the carrier, the Borough will obtain comparable coverage for the employees.

ARTICLE 25

SAFETY AND UNIFORMS

The Borough agrees that it will comply with all provisions of the Federal Safety Laws and Safety Laws of the State of New Jersey. The Borough shall provide a maximum clothing allowance of Three Hundred Twenty Five (\$325.00) Dollars per year for each employee during each year of the term of the contract. However, any part of the Three Hundred Twenty-Five (\$325.00) Dollars allowance not used in the present year may be carried over to the following year to be used.

ARTICLE 26

SAVINGS CLAUSE

It is agreed that if any provision of this Agreement or application thereof, to any person or circumstance shall be held invalid, the remainder of this Agreement or application of such provisions shall not be affected thereby. If any such provisions are held invalid, the Council and the PBA will meet to negotiate changes so required.

ARTICLE 27

NO STRIKE - NO LOCKOUT

(1) Neither the PBA nor any of its members shall engage in any job action, strike, work stoppage or slowdown, or any illegal interference with the operation of the Borough during the term of the Agreement. The PBA agrees that it shall use its best efforts to prevent acts forbidden herein, on the part of any employee or group of employees and, in the event any of such acts take place by an employee, the PBA agrees it will use its best efforts to cause an immediate cessation thereof, or picketing during each employee's tour of duty.

(2) The Borough will not engage in any lockout of employees covered by this Agreement during the term of the Agreement.

ARTICLE 28

HOURS OF WORK

(1) The standard weekly work schedule shall consist of an average of forty (40) hours on a changing rotating eight (8) hour per tour basis. The numerical composition of each tour shall be determined by the Chief of Police.

(2) During the eight (8) hour tour, the employees shall be allowed with pay one (1) fifteen (15) minute rest period during the morning; and one (1) fifteen (15) minute rest period in the afternoon. The lunch period shall be one-half (1/2) hour and the employee shall be paid for the duration thereof.

(3) In case of an emergency, the relief period may be shortened and the employee required to work without additional pay, but every effort will be made to allow the employee his relief period.

ARTICLE 29

ANNUAL RATE OF PAY

(1) Employees shall be paid an annual rate of pay in accordance with their job title and rank set forth in the attached Schedule "A".

(2) Any employee performing the duties of a higher rank on a temporary basis for a period of ninety (90) consecutive days, will receive the higher rank's rate of pay starting on the ninety-first (91st) day of performing with that higher rank, starting with the rank of sergeant, until such time as the temporary need is fulfilled and completed.

ARTICLE 30

COLLEGE CREDITS

A college credit program is established on the following criteria:

(A) Each employee shall receive Ten Dollars (\$10.00) per credit hour to a one hundred twenty-eight (128) credit hour maximum in a matriculating program of police science or its equivalent at an accredited college.

(B) An employee shall ^{not} receive Ten Dollars (\$10.00) per credit hour until he has achieved a minimum of twelve (12) credit hours; payment from the first credit earned.

(C) Payment by the Borough shall be made on the first of January next following the calendar year during which a college credit has been earned, provided, however, that the employee receives a passing grade from the institution providing such courses.

ARTICLE 31

TRAVEL AND MEAL ALLOWANCE

Effective January 1, 1984, employees covered by this Agreement shall receive twenty (\$.20) cents per mile whenever they may be required to use their own automobile for travel on police business (including schools and court appearances) as measured

Whenever the employees are caused to remain out of the Borough of River Edge on police business (including schools and court and administrative agency appearances) during meal periods, they shall be compensated at the rate of Five (\$5.00) Dollars, *per meal period.* a.g.
R.E.D.

ARTICLE 32

MISCELLANEOUS

(1) In all references to any parties, persons, entities or corporations, the use of any particular gender or the plural or singular number shall be deemed to refer to and include the appropriate gender or number, as the text may require.

(2) All the terms, covenants and conditions herein, contained shall inure to the benefit of and shall bind the respective parties hereto, their legal representatives, successors and assigns.

(3) Employees shall not be required to be residents of the Borough, unless otherwise provided by law.

ARTICLE 33

UNIT MEMBERSHIP

(1) Membership in the employee organization (PBA 201), hereinafter in this clause called PBA, is not compulsory. Regular employees have the right to join, non-join, maintain, or drop their membership within the PBA, if they see fit. Neither party shall exert any pressure on or discriminate against any employee as regarding such matters.

(2) The Borough will withhold, from the salaries of those employees who are covered by this Agreement and who have not executed authorizations permitting the employer to withhold the full amount of union dues, a representation fee in lieu of dues which shall be in an amount equivalent to the regular membership dues, initiation fees and assessments charged by Local 201 to its own members, less the costs of benefits financed through the dues, fees and assessments and available

to or benefiting only its members, but in no event shall such representation fee exceed eighty-five (85%) percent of the uniform annual dues charged by Local 201 to its members. The employer shall forward the amount so deducted to the Local. The Local represents to the employer that it has established a demand and return system and that it is in compliance with all requirements imposed upon the Local pursuant to Law, 1979 c. 477 and the employer's obligation pursuant to this paragraph is contingent upon the Local's continued compliance therewith.

(3) The Local will defend, indemnify and save the employer harmless against any and all demands, suits or other forms of liability which may arise out of or by reason of action taken by the employer at the request of the Union pursuant to this Article.

(4) In the event that employees hired after the effective date of this Agreement do not within sixty (60) days of the date of hire execute written authorizations for withholding of union dues pursuant to this Article, then the provisions of paragraph one (1) hereinabove, shall be effective.

ARTICLE 34

WORK INCURRED INJURY

The Borough represents that all employees covered by this Agreement are covered by a Worker's Compensation Insurance Policy and that it will continue to provide such coverage as required by statute.

ARTICLE 35

SCOPE OF CONTRACT

(1) The parties acknowledge that they have had full opportunity to bargain concerning the terms and conditions of employment and that the within Agreement is the entire Agreement of the parties and that during the term of the Agreement, neither party is obligated to negotiate any further terms and conditions of employment.

(2) Those benefits and practices, which intimately and directly affect the work and welfare of the employees and on which a negotiated agreement would not significantly interfere with the exercise of inherent managerial prerogatives pertaining to the determination of government policy shall be continued provided that such benefits and practices have been expressly recognized by the employer and uniformly applied to all employees in the bargaining unit.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto, have set their hands and seals or caused this Agreement to be signed by their duly authorized officers or representatives on the day and year first set forth above.

ATTEST:

Angela L. Grillo
ANGELA L. GRILLO, Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE

BY: Edward P. Raffo
EDWARD P. RAFFO, Mayor

ATTEST:

Robert C. Paly Jr.

RIVER EDGE PBA LOCAL NO. 201

BY: John R. Hamme

SCHEDULE "A"

ANNUAL RATE OF PAY

<u>RANK</u>	<u>1/1/84</u>	<u>1/1/85</u>	<u>7/1/85</u>	<u>1/1/86</u>	<u>7/1/86</u>
Lieutenant	30,966.	32,514.	33,752.	35,440.	36,452.
Sergeant	28,860.	30,303.	31,457.	33,030.	33,973.
Patrolman 1	26,902.	28,247.	29,323.	30,789.	31,668.
Patrolman 2	24,082.	25,287.	26,249.	27,561.	28,348.
Patrolman 3	21,428.	22,499.	23,356.	24,524.	25,224.
Patrolman 4	19,770.	20,759.	21,549.	22,626.	23,272.
Patrolman Probationary (second 6 months)	17,000.	18,450.	18,450.	18,450.	18,450.
Patrolman Probationary (first 6 months)	15,000.	16,000.	16,000.	16,000.	16,000.

The salary for a Patrolman Probationary hired in 1984 will be \$15,000.00 for the first six months even if part of that six month period is in 1985 and the salary will be \$17,000.00 for the second six months even if part of that period is in 1985. A Patrolman Probationary hired in 1985 or 1986 will receive a salary of \$16,000.00 for the first six months and a salary of \$18,450.00 for the second six months. Upon completion of the second six month probationary, the Patrolman shall receive the salary for Patrolman Fourth Grade, which is then in effect.