AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD

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SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP PATROL OFFICERS ASSOCIATION

January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2026

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PREAMBLE

THIS AGREEMENT entered into this 1st day of January, 2011, and amended 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022 and 2023 as per the Memorandum of Agreements that are attached to this document. This agreement between the TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, a municipal corporation of the State of New Jersey (hereinafter called the "Township") and the SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP PATROL OFFICERS ASSOCIATION (hereinafter called the "Association").

ARTICLE I

RECOGNITION

- A. The Township hereby recognizes the Association as the exclusive collective negotiation's agent for all non-supervisory police officers and sergeants employed by the Township of Springfield excluding Chief, Captains, Lieutenants, confidential employees, managerial executives and all other employees.
- B. Pursuant to the New Jersey Employer-Employee Relations Act, the parties hereby agree that employees covered by the Agreement shall have the right to freely organize, join and support the Association for the purpose of engaging in collective negotiations or to refrain from any of the foregoing.

<u>ARTICLE II</u>

MANAGEMENT RIGHTS

A. The Township retains and reserves unto itself without limitation all powers, rights, authority, duties and responsibilities conferred upon and vested in it prior to the signing of this Agreement by the Laws and Constitution of the State of New Jersey and of the United States, including but without limiting the generality of the foregoing the following rights:

- 1. To manage and control the Township Government, its properties and facilities and the job activities of its employees;
- 2. To hire all employees and, subject to the provisions of law, to determine their qualifications and conditions for continued employment or assignment and to promote and transfer employees;
- 3. To suspend, demote, discharge or take other disciplinary action for just cause.
- B. The exercise of the foregoing powers, rights, authority, duties and responsibilities of the Township, the adoption of policies, rules, regulations and practices in furtherance thereof, and the use of judgment and discretion in connection therewith shall be limited only by the terms of this Agreement and then only to the extent such terms hereof are in conformance with the Constitution and Laws of New Jersey and the United States.

ARTICLE III

NO-STRIKE PLEDGE

- A. The Association covenants and agrees, that during the term of this Agreement neither the Association nor any person acting on its behalf will cause, authorize or support any strike (i.e. the concerted failure to report for duty, or willful absence of any employee from his position, or stoppage of work or abstinence in whole or in part from the full, faithful and proper performance of said employee's duties of employment), work stoppage, slowdown, or walkout against the Township.
- B. The Association covenants and agrees, that it will do everything in its power to prevent is members from participating in any strike, work stoppage, slowdown or other activities aforementioned, and that the Association will publicly disavow such actions and advise all such members who participate in such activities to cease and desist from same immediately and return to work. The Association

- agrees that it will not support or participate in any of the aforementioned activities engaged in by another employee or group of employees of the Township.
- C. In the event of a strike, slowdown, walkout or job action, the Association recognizes that the Township may consider such activities by an Association member or any employee represented by the Association to constitute grounds for disciplinary action, including discharge.
- D. Nothing contained in this Agreement shall be construed to limit or restrict the Township in its right to seek and obtain such judicial relief as it may be entitled to have in law or in equity for injunction or damages, or both, in the event of any breach of this Article by the Association, its members, or employees represented by the Association.

ARTICLE IV

EMPLOYEE RIGHTS

- A. No Officer shall be disciplined without just cause. Disciplinary action against a police officer shall be in reference to N.J. Statute 40A:14-118, suspension or docking shall be subject to Article VI, Grievance Procedure.
- B. Police Officer discipline shall generally follow a progressive discipline policy except for those actions which in the judgment of the Chief and/or the Township are serious violations of Police Department Rules and Regulations or any local or State Laws or Administrative Codes
- C. Any time an officer is called before the Township Council regarding an action which could adversely affect the continuation of employment of that officer, the officer shall be given notice of the meeting and reasons for same and shall have a representative of the Association and/or attorney present to advise him/her at the meeting of the Township Council

- D. An officer who is evaluated with deficiencies will, where appropriate, be given an opportunity of not less than thirty (30) calendar days to correct such deficiencies and the opportunity of being reevaluated at the discretion of the Chief of Police.
- E. Each officer shall have the opportunity to review and photocopy his/her personnel folder at least once every six (6) months by making such request in writing to the Chief of Police. In all cases, no material shall be placed in the personnel folder of an officer relating to disciplinary action without the officer's knowledge or without the initials of the officer on the copy received from the Employer. Initialing by the officer does not evidence agreement with the contents of the document but as acknowledging notice only. Refusing to initial the document after having been given a copy of the document shall not prevent it from being included in the officer's personnel file.

ARTICLE V

SENIORITY

- A. Seniority is defined to mean the accumulated length of full-time continuous service with the Township as a police officer, computed from the last date of hire.
- B. Seniority shall be lost and employment terminated if any of the following occur:
 - 1. Discharge;
 - 2. Resignation;
 - 3. Failure to return promptly upon expiration of an authorized leave;
 - 4. Failure to return to work after a recall from layoff;
 - 5. Absence for five (5) consecutive days without leave or notice.

ARTICLE VI GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

A. Definition

A grievance is a claim based upon an alleged breach, misinterpretation or misapplication of the terms of this Agreement.

The purpose of this procedure is to secure, at the lowest possible level, equitable solutions to the grievances which may arise affecting employees in the bargaining unit. The parties agree that these procedures will be kept as informal as may be appropriate at any level of the procedure.

B. Procedure

The number of days indicated at each level is the maximum. The time limits may, however, be extended by mutual agreement. Grievances must be filed by the aggrieved within thirty (30) calendar days of the alleged occurrence and failure to act within the aforementioned thirty (30) calendar days shall be deemed to be an abandonment of the grievance.

C. Grievance Steps

Step One:

A unit member with a grievance shall present the grievance in writing to the Chief of Police or his duly designated representative within thirty (30) calendar days of its occurrence. The Chief or his designee shall respond to the grievance in writing within twenty (20) calendar days.

Step Two:

If the grievance is not resolved at Step One, or in the event no decision has been received within the time set forth in Step One, the aggrieved may, within ten (10) calendar days thereafter submit the grievance to the Manager. The Manager shall review the matter and issue a decision within twenty-one (21) calendar days after the receipt of the grievance.

Step Three:

If the grievance has not been resolved at Step Two or if no decision has been received within the time set forth in Step Two, the aggrieved may within ten (10) calendar days submit the grievance to the Township Council for a decision. The Township Council shall issue a decision in writing within twenty-one (21) calendar days after receipt of the grievance.

Step Four:

If the grievance has not been resolved at Step Three or if no answer has been received by the Association within the time set forth in Step Three, the aggrieved within ten (10) calendar days may file for Arbitration with the Public Employment Relations Commission. An arbitrator shall be selected in accordance with the procedures of the Public Employment Relations Commission. The arbitration proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with the following:

- 1. The arbitrator shall conduct a hearing and render a decision in writing with findings of fact and conclusion.
- 2. The arbitrator shall not have the power to add to, subtract from or modify the provisions of this Agreement.
- 3. The arbitrator shall confine his decision to the one (l) issue submitted for arbitration.
- 4. The decision of the arbitrator shall be final and binding on the parties subject to the rights of the parties with respect to case law and statutes.
- 5. The fees and expenses of the arbitrator shall be borne equally by the parties,
- 6. Any other costs of the arbitration; including the presentation of witnesses, shall be borne by the party incurring same.

D. Miscellaneous

- 1. An aggrieved person may be represented at all stages of the grievance procedure by a representative of the Association. When a unit member is not represented by the Association, the Association shall have the right to be present and to state its views at all stages of the grievance procedure.
- 2. If the grievance is not appealed by the grievant and/or Association from one step to the next step or to arbitration within the time limits specified for each step, or a mutually extended time, the grievance shall be considered to be denied or to be decided on the basis of the last decision of the Township and shall not be eligible for appeal.
- 3. If the Township claims that the Association has violated any provision of the Agreement, the Township may present such claim to the Association in writing within thirty (30) calendar days of its occurrence. If the parties fail to settle the Township grievance within thirty (30) calendar days, the Township may file for arbitration in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement.

ARTICLE VII

<u>LEAVE</u>

A. Sick Leave

Full time employees who are covered by this Agreement shall be entitled to annual paid sick leave as set forth below:

1. Newly hired Police Officers shall only receive 12 hours for the initial month of employment if they begin work on the 1st through 15 th day of the calendar month, and 6 hours if they begin on the 16th through the last day of the month.

- 2. After the initial month of employment and up to the end of the first calendar year, employees shall be credited with 12 hours for each month of completed service.
- 3. Thereafter, January 1 of each year, in anticipation of continued employment, employees shall be credited with one hundred forty-four (144) hours of sick leave. Sick time shall be taken in whole or half day increments only. This time will be accumulative and is to be carried over into the following year(s).

4. <u>Supplemental Compensation Upon Separation (SCUS)</u>

Supplemental Compensation Upon Separation is defined as the total accumulation of unused sick time up to a maximum of \$12,000 and unused vacation time of up to two years accumulated days computed at the rate of hourly pay earned by the employee at the time of retirement or being laid off.

5. Reporting of Absences/Sick Leave

- A. If an employee is absent for reasons that entitle the employee to sick leave, his/her supervisor shall be notified promptly and no later than four (4) hours prior to the employee's usual reporting time, except in cases of emergency as approved by the Chief of Police or his designee.
- B. Failure to notify the employee's supervisor may be cause for denial of the use of sick leave for that absence and may additionally constitute cause for disciplinary action.
- C. Absence without notice for five (5) consecutive days shall constitute a resignation not in good standing.

6. <u>Verification of Sick Leave</u>

- 1. Any sworn personnel of the Police Department who is out on sick leave for three (3) or more consecutive scheduled workdays shall produce a physician's note from the Township or family doctor upon return to duty. (Failure to do so will result in disciplinary action). In addition to the foregoing, the Township may require proof of illness of an employee on sick leave, whenever such requirement appears warranted under the circumstances. Abuse of sick leave shall be cause for disciplinary action. During this time the officer will receive his/her regularly scheduled salary to include any scheduled salary increases and benefits normally received. This shall continue until the officer is able to return to duty.
- 2. Any full-time member of the Association who is injured in the performance of their duties will receive their regularly scheduled salary to include any scheduled salary increases and benefits normally received. This shall remain in effect until the officer is able to return to duty. Any Workman's Compensation and Disability payments received by the officer during this time will be signed off by the officer and returned to the Township Treasurer.
- 3. Off duty injuries and illness are subject to and covered by accrued sick time and disability insurance. Disability insurance payments shall be paid directly to the officer and shall be based upon 66 2/3% of wages up 'to a maximum of \$546.00 per week for 26 weeks.

B. <u>Personal Leave</u>

- 1. Any full-time member of the Association shall receive four (4) personal leave days per year with pay.
- 2. The request for such leave shall be made to the officer's immediate supervisor at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to its anticipated use except emergency leave.
- 3. Personal leave days shall not be accumulative and shall not be carried over into the following year.

4. These days must be used in the year in which they are earned and shall not cause the Township to make payment for such time not utilized.

C. Bereavement Leave

- 1. Any full-time member of the Association shall be entitled to bereavement leave in the event of a death in the officer's immediate family. An allowance of up to three (3) working days, one of which shall be the day of death or day of the funeral shall be granted. Immediate family shall be defined as husband, wife, child, step-child, father, mother, father-in-law, mother-in-law, brother, sister, or any other of the officer's immediate household.
- 2. An allowance of one (1) day shall be granted to attend the funeral of other relatives of the officer.
- 3. If a death occurs to the officer's spouse, the officer will be excused from work without loss of pay for up to fifteen (15) consecutive working days inclusive of the three days in Section A. In the event more time if. Needed, the Chief of Police may grant additional days. This time will be deducted from the officer's sick leave.

D. Family Care

Any full-time member of the Association shall be entitled to use their accumulated sick time to care for the officer's spouse or children when they become ill. However, such use of sick time shall be limited to ten (10) days per year and for no more than three (3) consecutive working days at a time unless it is medically certified that the officer's spouse or children's illness requires that the officer be at home to provide care and assistance. Illness as used in this paragraph includes maternity leave.

E. <u>Maternity Leave</u>

1. Maternity leave without pay shall be granted for a period of six (6) months provided the request for such leave is made in writing to the Chief of Police no later than the fourth

month of pregnancy and approved by the Chief of Police. Sickness due to pregnancy shall be covered under the sick leave regulations covered by this agreement.

2. Hospitalization and medical, surgical and life insurance coverage will continue in force and be paid for the first three (3) months, and light duty if available shall be allowed provided the officer supplies a doctor's note. If light duty is not available the officer can use accrued unused sick time.

F. <u>Death of Employee</u>

Should an officer die during the term of his/her employment, then the surviving spouse or estate shall receive pay for sick leave at one hundred percent (100%) of the employee's total accumulated time. All other time earned in the year of the employee's death will be pro-rated and paid in full.

ARTICLE VIII

HEALTH BENEFITS

- A. Any full-time member of the Association shall be provided with health benefits to include major medical, prescription, and dental coverage. These benefits shall be extended to the officer's spouse and children at no additional cost to the officer in keeping with the terms of the insurance coverage. The Township reserves the right to change insurance plans and/or carriers so long as the benefits are equal or better.
- B. The Township shall provide the Association with a Township doctor for routine physicals, vaccinations and immunization shots at no expense to the officers.
- C. The Township shall provide the Association with psychological and/or counseling support needed after a critical incident, stress situation at no expense to the officer(s) or the Association. This shall

continue until the officer(s) is or are able to return to duty as determined by the counseling service selected by the Township.

ARTICLE IX

COURT APPEARANCES

- A. All Court appearances by an officer of the Association, not occurring during scheduled working hours shall be paid for at a rate of one and one-half times the officer's hourly rate with a minimum for two (2) hours guaranteed. This agreement does not apply to the position of court security officers which shall be a separate position appointed by the Township and paid from the court's budget.
- B. Should transportation outside of the Township be required, to make the appearance at court outside the Township, the officer may use his/her own vehicle. Mileage reimbursement to use his/her personal vehicle shall be the amount fixed by the Internal Revenue Service for deductibility of mileage. The Township shall make every effort possible to provide the officer with a Township vehicle to make these appearances at no cost to the officer.
- C. Payment for mileage from court appearances will be paid to the officer after the officer submits a voucher for the mileage to the Township at the end of the month that the appearances were made. Failure to do so shall constitute an abandonment of said expenses.
- D. Time off on court days shall be made in writing to the Chief of Police or his designee within seventy-two (72) hours for his approval.

ARTICLE X

TRAINING

Any full-time member of the Association will attend mandatory training sessions for police and EMT related training at which time the officer will be compensated for this time in keeping with Section 7(k) exemption clause of the Fair Labor Standards Act, a copy of which is attached and made part of this agreement. Any full-time member of the Association will be provided with a Township vehicle to attend training sessions. If this is not possible due to scheduling restrictions, mileage reimbursement to use his/her personal vehicle shall be the amount fixed by the Internal Revenue Service for deductibility of mileage by submitting a voucher for payment by means of a separate check.

ARTICLE XI

VACATION

A. Any full-time member of the Association will earn vacation time as set forth below:

5 days after 1 year	10 days after 2 years
11 days after 3 years	12 days after 5 years
13 days after 7 years	14 days after 9 years
15 days after 10 years	16 days after 12 years
17 days after 14 years	18 days after 16 years
19 days after 18 years	20 days after 20 years

B. Vacation time may be accumulated for two years. Failure to use accumulated vacation time within said two-year period shall constitute an abandonment of this vacation time. Accumulated vacation time shall be credited to the officer on January 1 st of the year in which it will become due and may thereafter be taken to the extent of the credit and any prior accumulation not abandoned. Vacation time shall be taken in whole and half day increments only.

- C. Any officer who is laid off or retired from the service of the Township prior to taking vacation shall be compensated by the Township by check for unused vacation time the officer has accumulated at the time of the lay-off or retirement which time shall be prorated based upon the officer's actual service time in the year in which such officer has been laid off or retired.
- Vacation days shall be requested thirty (30) days in advance by the officer to the officer's D. immediate supervisor. Vacation days shall be granted upon the officer's request to the Chief of Police and may not be denied unless the time requested will have an adverse effect on the daily operation of the police department including but not limited to the imposition of overtime.
- E. In the event of an emergency, the officer is called to duty while utilizing his vacation time, the officer's vacation time shall not be charged and the officer shall be compensated at the rate of one and one-half times his or her hourly rate.

ARTICLE XII

HOLIDAYS

Effective January 1, 2011, all full-time officers covered under this agreement shall receive fourteen (14) paid holidays per year:

New Year's Day (January I) Martin Luther King's Birthday

Presidents' Day

Good Friday Easter Sunday

Memorial Day

Independence Day (July 4)

Labor Day

Columbus Day

Veterans' Day

Thanksgiving Day

Day after Thanksgiving

Day before Christmas (December 24)

Christmas Day (December 25)

Holiday Pay will be computed in the following manner:

- A. All officers covered under this agreement who are scheduled to work on any recognized holiday will receive their regular base salary for the scheduled holiday, In addition to their regular base salary, each officer working on said holiday will receive an additional twelve (12) hours of holiday pay, paid at their calculated straight time. This will be added to the officer's next available paycheck, i.e., each officer works an eighty-four (84) hour pay period. If a holiday falls within any given pay period they will be paid an additional twelve (12) hours at straight time. Calculated as follows: 84 hours plus 12 hours = 96 hours at straight time. If two (2) holidays fall within the officer's eighty-four (84) hour pay period, each officer will receive an additional twenty-four (24) hours at straight time. Calculated as follows: 84 hours plus 12 hours plus 12 hours = 108 hours at straight time.
- B. All officers covered under this agreement who are scheduled off on any recognized holiday covered under this agreement, in addition to his/her regular base salary will be paid an additional 12 hours of holiday pay, paid at his/her calculated straight time. This will be added the officer's next available paycheck, i. e., officers who are scheduled off on these holidays will have already worked or will work their regular eighty-four (84) hours in this given pay period. This time will be calculated as follows: 84 hours plus 12 hours 96 hours at straight time. If two (2) scheduled off holidays fall within the officer's eighty-four (84) hour pay period, then the officer will receive an additional twenty-four (24) hours at straight time. This time will be calculated as follows: 84 hours plus 12 hours plus 12 hours = 108 hours at straight time.
- C. All officers covered under this agreement scheduled off on any recognized holiday covered under this agreement and called in to work on this recognized holiday will receive time and a

half for the hours worked on this recognized holiday. This overtime will be added to the officer's next available paycheck, i. e., eighty-four (84) hours of regular pay plus twelve (12) hours at straight time for the scheduled off holiday, plus twelve (12) hours [or the number of hours actually worked] at time and a half.

ARTICLE XIII

OVERTIME

- A. Any sworn personnel of the Association working in excess of their eighty-four (84) hours during a two (2) week pay period shall be entitled to overtime pay at the rate of one and one-half time (1 1/2) the officer's hourly rate in keeping with Section 7(k) exemption clause of the Fair Labor Standards Act. The officer's hourly rate shall be determined by dividing the officer's annual salary by 2,184 hours. This will be paid to the officer in the next available paycheck as it is earned and will be listed as a separate earning on the officer's biweekly paycheck.
- B. In the event an officer is called to duty in an emergency situation while the officer is scheduled off, the officer will be four (4) hours overtime pay. If the emergency situation necessitates the officer being on duty longer than the four (4) hour guaranteed period, the officer shall receive additional overtime pay for the hours worked.
- C. The officers shall be paid at the rate of one and one-half times (l h) times their hourly rate for any overtime worked. The officer shall not receive compensatory time off unless agreed upon, by the Township and the officer.

ARTICLE XIV

SALARIES

A. The Association shall recognize the following officer's Salary Scale on a yearly basis for all officers hired prior to January 1, 2023. All step increases take effect on the officer's anniversary date of hire; percentage increases take effect on January 1st of each year. All members of Patrols Officers Association shall receive a 2% percent salary increase for 2023 (retroactive to January 1, 2023 only current active members) in accordance with the below salary schedule. The salary increases for the year 2024, 2025 & 2026 will be 2.75%.

Step 1 removed effective December 31, 2024. (per 2023-2026 M.O.A.)

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2023	2%		2024	2.75	5%	2025	2.75	5%	2026	2.75	%
Step 1	\$	48,167	Step 1	\$	49,492						
Step 2	\$	50,656	Step 2	\$	52,049	Step 1	\$	53,481	Step 1	\$	54,951
Step 3	\$	53,141	Step 3	\$	54,602	Step 2	\$	56,104	Step 2	\$	57,647
Step 4	\$	56,873	Step 4	\$	58,437	Step 3	\$	60,044	Step 3	\$	61,695
Step 5	\$	60,602	Step 5	\$	62,269	Step 4	\$	63,981	Step 4	\$	65,741
Step 6	\$	65,575	Step 6	\$	67,378	Step 5	\$	69,231	Step 5	\$	71,135
Step 7	\$	68,063	Step 7	\$	69,934	Step 6	\$	71,857	Step 6	\$	73,834
Step 8	\$	70,550	Step 8	\$	72,490	Step 7	\$	74,484	Step 7	\$	76,532
Step 9	\$	73,035	Step 9	\$	75,044	Step 8	\$	77,107	Step 8	\$	79,228
Step 10	\$	75,523	Step 10	\$	77,600	Step 9	\$	79,734	Step 9	\$	81,926
Step 11	\$	78,010	Step 11	\$	80,155	Step 10	\$	82,359	Step 10	\$	84,624
Step 12	\$	80,499	Step 12	\$	82,713	Step 11	\$	84,988	Step 11	\$	87,325
SGT	\$	82,763	SGT	\$	85,039	SGT	\$	87,377	SGT	\$	89,780
SGT 1 st Class	\$	86,637	SGT 1 st Class	\$	89,019	SGT 1 st Class	\$	91,467	SGT 1 st Class	\$	93,983

Patrol Officers —Salary Scale

C. <u>Longevity</u>

1. In addition to salary, employees hired before November 30, 2023 shall receive longevity pay to be computed in the following manner:

A. 7-12 years of service

\$ 500.00

B. 13 years of service and over 1.5% of base salary. (per 2020 M.O.A)

- 2. Longevity pay will be paid in two separate installments. The first installment will be paid with the first pay period in June of each year of this contract in a separate check. The second installment will be paid with the first pay period in December of each year of this contract in a separate check. This amount will be in addition to the officer's base salary.
- 3. Longevity pay shall be computed from the officer's date of hire.

D. Promotions

Promotion of a member of the association shall be conducted in accordance with Chapter 5, Sections 5-61.1 and 5-61.2 of the Code of Springfield Township. Association members who participate in the promotional process, and successfully pass all phases shall be ranked by their final score. The Township shall maintain a list of all passing participants beginning with the highest score. This list shall remain in effect for a period of two years.

*Any promotions from Patrolman to Segreant within the duration of this contract will not be eligible for the yearly percentage increase for the remainer of that calendar year plus the following calendar year, and there after the regular salary schedule shall recommence.

ARTICLE XV

<u>UNIFORMS</u>

Any full-time member of the Association, upon being appointed, shall be provided by the Township with the following uniforms:

Class A Uniform to include:

- 3 short sleeve shirts
- 3 long sleeve shirts
- 4 pair trousers
- I neck tie with tie tac
- 2 breast badges
- 1 pair dress shoes
- 1 leather dress blouse
- 1 dress hat with hat badge
- 1 name tag
- I whistle with lanyard
- 1 pair leather dress gloves
- 1 leather sam browne belt
- 1 leather sam browne strap
- 2 leather holsters
- Heather handcuff case
- 1 leather mace case
- 1 leather magazine pouch

Class B Uniform to include:

- 2 long sleeve shirts
- 2 short sleeve shirts
- 2 pair trousers
- 1 pair leather boots
- 1 Gore-Tex winter jacket I

baseball cap

- 1 Gore-Tex winter gloves
- 1 nylon sam browne belt
- 1 nylon holster
- 1 nylon magazine pouch
- 1 nylon handcuff case
- 1 nylon mace case

1 nylon radio case

6 belt keepers

1 nylon flashlight ring

1 nylon ASP baton case

1 nylon belt

1 wool winter hat

1 latex glove pouch

3 golf shirts (NB/B/W)

Replacement — as needed to be determined by the Township. The Township shall continue to pay for replacement and cleaning of uniforms

ARTICLE XVI

EQUIPMENT

Any full-time member of the Association, upon being appointed, shall be provided by the Township with the

following equipment:

1SIG Sauer model 220 w/5 magazines

1ASP baton

1 portable radio with microphone

1 pairs of hinged handcuffs

1 pair of oversized handcuffs

1 pair of leg irons

2 canisters of pepper mace

1 Stream light flashlight

1 Stream light stinger flashlight

1 rescue knife

1 bullet proof vest department approved to be replaced as needed (minimum of 5 years)

1 pager

1 trauma kit w/0/2 and accessories

.1 gun cleaning kit

1 photo ID

1 badge ID

1 off duty holster

2 cellular phones for shift officers to be kept in station when not in use

* Ammunition as needed for on/off duty and practice

The Township shall continue to pay for replacement of all equipment on an as needed basis.

ARTICLE XVII INTERNAL AFFAIRS INVESTIGATION

Any complaints report to the Department on an officer, the Chief of Police shall investigate as per the Attorney Generals Guidelines.

ARTICLE XVIII

EXTRA DUTY ASSIGNMENTS

All extra duty assignments shall be processed in and performed in accordance with rates and procedures established by the Township in its discretion in rules and regulations or ordinance.

ARTICLE XIX

PRIVATE LEGAL COUNSEL

The Township recognizes its obligations under R.S. 40A:145-155. Thus, as provided below, whenever a member of the Association shall become a defendant in any legal proceeding arising out of or directly related to the lawful exercise of police powers in the performance of his official duties, the Township shall provide the member with the necessary means for the defense of such action proceeding.

- 1. In order to provide for situations where the member seeks to have the costs of defense paid by the Township, it is agreed that the Township,

 upon recommendation of the Township Attorney, and with input from the Association, shall establish a panel of six (6) attorneys and that the members of the Association may select one from among those attorneys for their representation. Nothing herein shall prohibit a member from selecting an attorney not on the agreed upon panel, but the Township shall have no
- 2. If the complaint is on behalf of the Township and the member is acquitted or the charge is dismissed in a matter heard in the municipal court and the member has selected an attorney from the panel, the Township will pay the usual, customary and reasonable fees, subject to review and approval by the Township Attorney.

obligation to pay the fees of any attorney not on the panel.

- 3. If the complaint is not on behalf of the Township and the matter is in the municipal court and the member has selected an attorney from the panel, the Township will pay the usual, customary and reasonable fees, subject to review and approval by the Township Attorney.
- 4. If it is a disciplinary hearing and the member is acquitted or the charges are dismissed and the member has selected an attorney from the panel, the Township will pay the usual, customary and reasonable fees, subject to review and approval by the Township Attorney.

- 5. If it is an indictable offense and the member has selected an attorney from the panel, the Township will pay the usual, customary and reasonable fees, subject to review by the Township Attorney.
- 6. All fees must bear a reasonable relationship to the nature of the offense. Once a member has selected an attorney from the panel, the member shall advise the Township Attorney of the name and address of the selected attorney immediately after consulting with the attorney.
- 7. All counsel fees to be paid by the Township shall first be submitted to the Township Attorney for review as to reasonableness, and only those charges which are reasonable in amount shall be payable. There may be instances where, by reason of the complexity of the case, a higher counsel fee would be appropriate, or, because of its simplicity, a lower fee would be called for.
- 8. After review and approval of a voucher for counsel fees by the Township Attorney, the voucher shall be submitted to the Township Treasurer for approval and inclusion on the next regular bill list.
- 9. In any case where the Township has provided insurance coverage for civil liability and that insurance coverage extends to the member and the insurance carrier will provide a defense, it is recognized that the insurance carrier has the right to designate defense counsel. The provision of legal counsel for the defense of the member by the insurance carrier shall satisfy the obligation of the Township under the statute or this contract to provide for the defense of the

member. The term "insurance carrier" shall include any joint insurance fund which provides coverage to the Township.

10. The Township shall also maintain in effect an ordinance to empower the indemnification of members pursuant to N.J.S.A. 59:10-4. The indemnification and defense provisions shall include all circumstances in which the employee renders first aid within the State of New Jersey, whether on duty or off duty.

ARTICLE XX

NON-DISCRIMINATION

Neither the Township nor the Association shall discriminate against any employee because of race, creed, color, natural origin or political affiliation.

ARTICLE XXI

MISCELLANEOUS

Except as otherwise specifically provided for by this Agreement, fringe and economic benefits shall apply to full-time employees only.

ARTICLE XXII

SAVING CLAUSE

If any provision of this Agreement is held to be invalid or contrary to law by federal or state legislation, government regulation or court decision, then such provisions shall be removed from the Agreement and all other provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

ARTICLE XXIII

FULLY BARGAINED PROVISIONS

This Agreement represents and incorporates the complete and final understanding by the parties on all bargain-able issues which were or could have been the subject to negotiations.

ARTICLE XXIV

DURATION

- A. This Agreement shall become effective as of January 1, 2023 and shall continue in full force and effect through December 31, 2026.
- B. The Agreement shall continue from year to year unless either party advises the other in writing no less than ninety (90) nor more than one hundred twenty (120) days prior to the expiration of the Agreement of a desire to negotiate over the terms of a new Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have, by the authorized representatives,

SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP
PATROL OFFICERS ASSOCIATION

TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD

By:	By:
Patrol Officers President	Mayor
Dated:	By:
	Township Clerk

Memorandum of Agreement

Springfield Township and the Springfield Township Patrol Officers Association hereby agree as follows:

Contract Duration:

This agreement shall be effective as of January 1, 2014 and shall

continue in full force and effect through December 21, 2014.

Salaries:

2 percent increase as reflected in the table below.

Terms and Conditions: All other terms and conditions contained in the processor agreement,

which expired on December 31, 2013.

	2014
Step	Salary
Step 1	\$40,304
Step 2	\$42,385
Step 3	\$44,465
Step 4	\$46,546
Step 5	\$47,587
Step 6	\$50,708
Step 7	\$52,789
Step 8	\$54,869
Step 9	\$56,950
Step 10	\$59,031
Step 11	\$61,112
Step 12	\$63,192
Step 13	\$65,273
Step 14	\$67,355

Springfield Township Patrol Officers Association

Fregory S/Smith

Springfield Township

Township Manager

Amended Memorandum of Agreement

Springfield Township and the Springfield Township Patrol Officers Association hereby agree as follows:

Contract Duration:

This agreement shall be effective as of January 1, 2014 and shall

continue in full force and effect through December 21, 2014.

Salaries:

2 percent increase as reflected in the table below.

Terms and Conditions: All other terms and conditions contained in the processor agreement,

which expired on December 31, 2013.

Police Officer's Salary

	2014
Step	Salary
Step 1	\$40,304
Step 2	\$42,385
Step 3	\$44,465
Step 4	\$46,546
Step 5	\$47,587
Step 6	\$50,708
Step 7	\$52,789
Step 8	\$54,869
Step 9	\$56,950
Step 10	\$59,031
Step 11	\$61,112
Step 12	\$63,192
Step 13	\$65,273
Step 14	\$67,355

Patrol Sergeants-Salary

\$69,250

Sergeants 1st Class -Salary

\$72,492

Springfield Township Patrol

Officers Association

Springfield Township

Township Manager

Memorandum of Agreement

Springfield Township and the Springfield Township Patrol Officers Association hereby agree as follows:

Contract Duration:

This agreement shall be effective as of January 1, 2015 and shall

continue in full force and effect through December 21, 2015.

Salaries:

2 percent increase as reflected in the table below.

Terms and Conditions: All other terms and conditions contained in the predecessor agreement,

which expired on December 31, 2013.

STEP	2015
3121	SALARY
Step 1	\$41,110
Step 2	\$43,233
Step 3	\$45,354
Step 4	\$47,477
Step 5	\$48,539
Step 6	\$51,722
Step 7	\$55,966
Step 8	\$58,089
Step 9	\$60,212
Step 10	\$62,334
Step 11	\$64,456
Step 12	\$66,578
Step 13	\$68,702

Patrol Sergeants-Salary

\$70,635

Sergeants 1st Class-Salary

\$73,942

Springfield Township Patrol Officers Association

Springfield Township

Memorandum of Agreement

Springfield Township and the Springfield Township Patrol Officers Association hereby agree as follows:

Contract Duration:

This agreement shall be effective as of January 1, 2016 and shall

continue in full force and effect through December 31, 2016.

Salaries:

2 percent increase as reflected in the table below.

Terms and Conditions: All other terms and conditions contained in the predecessor agreement,

which expired on December 31, 2013.

2016
\$41,932
\$44,098
\$46,261
\$48,427
\$49,510
\$52,756
\$57,085
\$59,251
\$61,416
\$63,581
\$65,745
\$67,910
\$70,076

Patrol Sergeants-Salary

\$72,048

Sergeants 1st Class-Salary

\$75,421

Springfield Township Patrol Officers, Association

Gregory S. Smith

Springfield Township

TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD BURLINGTON COUNTY

RESOLUTION 2016-08-02

AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT AMENDING CERTAIN TERMS OF THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH THE SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP PATROL OFFICERS ASSOCIATION

WHEREAS, the Township entered into a collective bargaining agreement with the Springfield Township Patrol Officers Association (the "Bargaining Unit") dated September, 2013 for a term of January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013; and

WHEREAS, the terms of the collective bargaining agreement with the Bargaining Unit were amended by the memorandum of agreements dated August, 2014 for the term of January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 and September, 2015 for the term of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the Township Manager has advised Council of subsequent negotiations with the Bargaining Unit and recommended certain additional terms for the collective bargaining agreement and Council has agreed to accept these terms and enter into an agreement with the Bargaining Unit.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Springfield, County of Burlington and State of New Jersey that the Township Council hereby:

- 1. Authorizes the Township Manager to prepare the Memorandum of Agreement amending the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Springfield Township Patrol Officers Association for the period from January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016 incorporating those terms approved by Council.
- 2. Authorizes Mayor and Township Clerk to execute the Memorandum of Agreement with the Springfield Township Patrol Officers Association for the period from January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016 and any such further documentation necessary to finalize and confirm the agreement of the parties.
- 3. Directs the Township Clerk to forward a certified copy of this Resolution to the Springfield Township Patrol Officers Association.

DATED: AUGUST 10, 2016

SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

I, Patricia A. Clayton, certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a Resolution duly adopted by the Springfield Township Council at a public meeting held August 10, 2016.

Patricia A. Clayton, RMC

Township Clerk

Memorandum of Agreement

Springfield Township and the Springfield Township Patrol Officers Association hereby agree as follows:

1. Contract Duration: This agreement shall be effective as of January 1, 2017 and shall continue in full force and effect through December 31, 2018.

2. Article XI.A., Vacation, shall be amended as follows:

Any full time member of the Association will earn vacation times as set forth below:

5 days in 1st year
10 days after 2 years
11 days after 3 years
12 days after 5 years
13 days after 7 years
14 days after 9 years
15 days after 10 years
16 days after 12 years
17 days after 14 years
18 days after 16 years
19 days after 18 years
20 days after 20 years
22 days after 22 years
25 days after 24 years

3. Article XI.C, Vacation, shall be amended as follows:

Any officer who is laid off, retired, or separated from the service of the Township prior to taking vacation shall be compensated by the Township by check for unused vacation time the officer has accumulated at the time of the lay-off, retirement or separation which time shall be prorated based upon the officer's actual service time in the year in which such officer has been laid off, retired or separated. The maximum payment for unused vacation time will be for a period of up to two (2) years accumulated time in an amount not to exceed \$15,000. An officer may utilize up to one and a half (1.5) years of accumulated vacation time in the final year of employment upon approval of the Chief of Police in accordance with Article XI.D.

4. Article XIV.A., Salaries, shall be amended as follows:

All members of the Patrols Officers Association shall receive a 2 percent salary increase each year of the contract. The 2 percent salary increase for the year 2017 will be retroactive to January 1, 2017 in accordance with the salary guide listed below.

STEP	2017	2018
Step 1	\$42,771	\$43,626
Step 2	\$44,980	\$45,880
Step 3	\$47,186	\$48,130
Step 4	\$49,395	\$50,383
Step 5	\$50,500	\$51,510
Step 6	\$53,812	\$54,888
Step 7	\$58,227	\$59,392
Step 8	\$60,436	\$61,645
Step 9	\$62,645	\$63,898
Step 10	\$64,852	\$66,149
Step 11	\$67,060	\$68,401
Step 12	\$69,268	\$70,653
Step 13	\$71,478	\$72,908

Patrol Sergeants-Salary

2017 2018 \$73,489 \$74,959

Sergeants 1st Class-Salary

2017 2018 \$76,929 \$78,468

5. All other terms and conditions contained in the predecessor agreement which expired on December 31, 2013 are hereby incorporated in this agreement and shall remain in full force and effect.

Springfield Township Patrol Officers Association

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President

Dated:

Springfield Township

Denis McDanie

Dated:

Memorandum of Agreement

Springfield Township and the Springfield Township Patrol Officers Association hereby agree as follows:

1. Contract Duration: This agreement shall be effective as of January 1, 2019 and shall continue in full force and effect through December 31, 2019.

2. Article XIV.A., Salaries, shall be amended as follows:

All members of the Patrols Officers Association shall receive a 2 percent salary increase each year of the contract. The 2 percent salary increase for the year 2019 will be retroactive to January 1, 2019 in accordance with the salary guide listed below.

STEP	2019
Step 1	\$44,499
Step 2	\$46,798
Step 3	\$49,093
Step 4	\$51,391
Step 5	\$52,541
Step 6	\$55,986
Step 7	\$60,580
Step 8	\$62,878
Step 9	\$65,176
Step 10	\$67,472
Step 11	\$69,770
Step 12	\$72,067
Step 13	\$74,367
Sergeants	\$76,459
Sergeants 1st Class	\$80,038
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3. All other terms and conditions contained in the predecessor agreement which expired on December 31, 2013 and subsequent memorandums of agreement are hereby incorporated in this agreement and shall remain in full force and effect.

Springfield Township Patrol Officers Association

By: Gregory S. Smith

Dated: 16

Springfield Township

Denis McDaniel

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Dated: October 7,2019

Memorandum of Agreement

Springfield Township and the Springfield Township Patrol Officers Association hereby agree as follows:

1. Contract Duration:

This agreement shall be effective as of January 1, 2020 and shall continue in full force and effect through December 31, 2020.

2. Article XIV.A., Salaries, shall be amended as follows:

All members of the Patrols Officers Association shall receive a 2 percent salary increase for 2020 in accordance with the below salary schedule. The 2 percent salary increase for the year 2020 will be retroactive to January 1, 2020.

STEP	2020
Step 1	\$45,389
Step 2	\$47,734
Step 3	\$50,075
Step 4	\$52,419
Step 5	\$53,592
Step 6	\$57,106
Step 7	\$61,792
Step 8	\$64,136
Step 9	\$66,480
Step 10	\$68,822
Step 11	\$71,166
Step 12	\$73,509
Step 13	\$75,855
Sergeants	\$77,989
Sergeants	
1st Class	\$81,639

- 3. The attached time donation policy is hereby accepted and approved.
- 4. Revised longevity pay per the following:

a. 7-12 years of service:

\$500.00

b. 13 years of service and over: 1.5% of base salary

5. All other terms and conditions contained in the predecessor collective bargaining agreement dated September, 2013 and all subsequent memorandum of agreements to the collective bargaining agreement are herein made part of this agreement.

Springfield Township Patrol Officers Association

Adam Cowperthwait

President

Springfield Township

Denis McDaniel

Donation of time to and from members

In exceptional cases, an employee within good standing may advance up to one-hundred and eighty (180) hours of unearned paid sick leave to another eligible employee upon recommendation of the Chief of Police and the approval of the Township Manager

Employees covered within this Contract, with approval of the Chief of Police, may transfer unused sick leave or vacation time to another employee within the Township, as described in Appendix B. The Township shall not unreasonably withhold such approval.

Appendix B: Catastrophic Illness - Donation of Time

- A. An employee shall be eligible to receive donated sick or vacation leave if the employee:
 - 1. Has completed at least one full time year of continuous service with the Township;
 - 2. Has exhausted all accrued sick, vacation, personal or administrative leave, all sick leave injury benefits, if any, and all compensatory time off;
 - 3. Has not; in the two year period immediately preceding the employee's need for donated leave, been disciplined for chronic or excessive absenteeism, chronic or excessive lateness or abuse of leave; and

4. Either:

- a. Suffers from a catastrophic health condition or injury
- b. Is needed to provide care to a member of the employee's immediate family who is suffering from a catastrophic health condition or injury; or
- c. Requires absence from work due to the donation of an organ (which shall include; for example, the donation of blood marrow).
- B. For purpose of this section, a "catastrophic health condition or injury" shall be defined as follows:
 - 1. With respect to an employee or an employee's family, a "catastrophic health condition or injury is either:
 - a. A life threatening condition or combination of conditions; or
 - b. A period of disability required by his or her mental or physical health of the employee or the health of the employee's fetus which requires the care of a physician who provides a medical verification of the need or employee's absence from work for 60 or more work days.

- 2. With respect to an employee's immediate family member, a "catastrophic health condition or injury" is either:
 - a. A life threatening condition or combination of conditions; or
 - b. A period of disability required by his or her mental or physical health which requires the care of a physician who provides a medical verification of the need for the family member's care by the employee for 60 or more work days.
- C. A contractual employee may request that the Chief of Police approve his or her participation in the program, as a leave recipient or leave donor. The local bargaining unit representative may make such a request on behalf of the employee for his or her participation in the program as a leave recipient.
 - 1. The employee, Chief of Police, or representative requesting the employee's acceptance as a leave recipient shall submit to the Chief of Police medical verification from a physician or other licensed health care provider concerning the nature and anticipated duration of the disability resulting from either the catastrophic health condition or injury or the donation of an organ, as the case may be.
 - 2. When the Chief of Police has approved an employee as a leave recipient, the Chief of Police shall, with the employee's consent post or circulate the employee's name along with those of other eligible employees in a conspicuous manner to encourage the donation of leave time.
 - a. If the employee is unable to consent to this posting or circulation, the employee's family may consent on his or her behalf.
 - b. Once all eligible employees complete the donation of time request from the Chief of Police, the Chief of Police will begin deducting time on an seniority rotating basis for each day the leave recipient is scheduled to work up the maximum number of hours allowed to be donated. If the leave recipient returns to work any unused time that could have been donated will remain with the donating employee.
- D. A leave recipient may receive up to but not exceed 180 hours of sick or vacation hours, or a combination thereof within one calendar year from one donor.
 - 1. A leave recipient shall receive no more than 2,184 sick or vacation hours per year, and shall not receive any such days on a retroactive basis.
 - 2. A leave donor shall have remaining at least 120 hours of accrued sick leave if donating sick leave and at least 60 hours of accrued vacation leave if donating vacation leave.
 - 3. A leave donor shall not revoke the leave donation.

- E. While using donated leave time, the recipient shall accrue sick leave and vacation leave and be entitled to retain such leave upon his or her return to work.
 - 1. Upon retirement, the leave recipient shall not be granted supplemental compensation on retirement for any unused sick days which he or she had received through the leave donation program.
- F. An employee shall be prohibited from threatening or coercing or attempting to threaten or coerce another employee for the purpose of interfering with the rights involving donating, receiving, or using donated leave time. Such prohibited acts shall include, but not limited to, promising to confer or conferring a benefit such as an appointment or promotion or making a threat to engage in, or engaging in, an act of retaliation against an employee.

Memorandum of Agreement

Springfield Township and the Springfield Township Patrol Officers Association hereby agree as follows:

1. Contract Duration: This agreement shall be effective as of January 1, 2021 and shall continue in full force and effect through December 31, 2022.

2. Article XIV.A., Salaries, shall be amended as follows:

All members of the Patrols Officers Association shall receive a 2 percent salary increase for 2021 and 2022 in accordance with the below salary schedule. The 2 percent salary increase for the year 2021 and 2022 will be retroactive to January 1 for each year.

STEP	2021	2022		
Step 1	46,297	47,223		
Step 2	48,689	49,663		
Step 3	51,077	52,099		
Step 4	54,664	55,758		
Step 5	58,249	59,414		
Step 6	63,028	64,289		
Step 7	65,419	66,728		
Step 8	67,810	69,167		
Step 9	70,199	71,603		
Step 10	72,590	74,042		
Step 11	74,980	76,480		
Step 12	77,373	78,921		
Sergeants	79,549	81,140		
Sergeants 1st Class	83,272	84,938		

3. All other terms and conditions contained in the predecessor collective bargaining agreement dated September, 2013 and all subsequent memorandum of agreements to the collective bargaining agreement are herein made part of this agreement.

Springfield Township Patrol Officers Association

President Dated: 3

Springfield Township

Mayor Dated: 3/23/2023

Memorandum of Agreement

Springfield Township and the Springfield Township <u>Patrol Officers Association</u> hereby agree as follows:

- 1. Contract Duration: This agreement shall be effective as of January 1, 2023 and shall continue in full force and effect through December 31,2026.
- 2. Article XI. Vacation Section C, The word *separation* will be removed from paragraph C. It is understood that any officer who is laid off or retires from the service of the Township prior to taking vacation shall be compensated, but if an officer separates from the Township, they will not be compensated for unused vacation.
- 3. Article XIV. Salaries Section A, shall be amended as follows:
 - *All members of Patrols Officers Association shall receive a 2% percent salary increase for 2023 (retroactive to January 1, 2023 only current active members) in accordance with the below salary schedule.
 - *The salary increases for the year 2024, 2025 & 2026 will be 2.75%.
 - *Remove Step 1 effective 12.31.2024
- 4. Article XIV. Salaries Section C, Longevity, will be removed for all new hires effective November 30, 2023.
- 5. Article XIV. Salaries Section D, Promotions shall be amended to state:
 - * Any promotion from Patrolman to Segreant within the duration of contract will not be eligible for COLA increase for the remainder of that the calendar year plus the following calendar year, and there after the regular salary schedule shall recommence.

2023	2%		2024	2.75	5%	2025	2.75	5%	2026	2.75	%
Step 1	\$	48,167	Step 1	\$	49,492						
Step 2	\$	50,656	Step 2	\$	52,049	Step 1	\$	53,481	Step 1	\$	54,951
Step 3	\$	53,141	Step 3	\$	54,602	Step 2	\$	56,104	Step 2	\$	57,647
Step 4	\$	56,873	Step 4	\$	58,437	Step 3	\$	60,044	Step 3	\$	61,695
Step 5	\$	60,602	Step 5	\$	62,269	Step 4	\$	63,981	Step 4	\$	65,741
Step 6	\$	65,575	Step 6	\$	67,378	Step 5	\$	69,231	Step 5	\$	71,135
Step 7	\$	68,063	Step 7	\$	69,934	Step 6	\$	71,857	Step 6	\$	73,834
Step 8	\$	70,550	Step 8	\$	72,490	Step 7	\$	74,484	Step 7	\$	76,532
Step 9	\$	73,035	Step 9	\$	75,044	Step 8	\$	77,107	Step 8	\$	79,228
Step 10	\$	75,523	Step 10	\$	77,600	Step 9	\$	79,734	Step 9	\$	81,926
Step 11	\$	78,010	Step 11	\$	80,155	Step 10	\$	82,359	Step 10	\$	84,624
Step 12	\$	80,499	Step 12	\$	82,713	Step 11	\$	84,988	Step 11	\$	87,325
SGT	\$	82,763	SGT	\$	85,039	SGT	\$	87,377	SGT	\$	89,780
SGT 1 st			SGT 1 st	-	-,	SGT 1 st			SGT 1 st		
Class	\$	86,637	Class	\$	89,019	Class	\$	91,467	Class	\$	93,983

6. All other and conditions contained in the predecessor collective bargaining agreement dated September, 2013 and all subsequent memorandum of agreements to the collective bargaining agreement are herein made part of this agreement.

Springfield To	wnship Patro	l Officers	Association
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Springfield Township Mayor

BY: Frankis Mallister

BY: DOWID FRANK
Print Name

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Dated: 1/19/2024

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