

**RETAIL DRUG AGREEMENT**

**July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2024**

**between**

**CVS PHARMACY**

**and**

**UFCW LOCALS  
135, 324, 770, 1167, 1428, 1442, 5 and 648**

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July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2024

This Agreement is entered into and effective as of this 1<sup>st</sup> day of July 2021, between CVS Pharmacy, hereinafter referred to as "Employer," and UFCW LOCALS 135, 324, 770, 1167, 1428, 1442, 5 and 648, chartered by United Food & Commercial Workers International Union, hereinafter referred to as the "Union" and the parties agree as follows:

### ARTICLE 1 - MANAGEMENT RIGHTS

The Employer retains the exclusive right to manage the business, to direct and control the business and workforce, and to make any and all decisions affecting the business, including, but not limited to the following: the exclusive right to plan, determine, direct and control the nature and extent of all its operations and commitments; to determine, install, introduce, remove, discontinue or modify the methods, procedures, materials and operations to be used or to discontinue their use by employees of the Employer; to maintain efficient operations; to hire, train, promote employees; to set standards and methods of performance; to create, modify, and abolish work shifts, the starting and ending times of the work shifts and work schedules; to promulgate, amend and enforce reasonable work rules, regulations, policies and procedures; to determine, modify, change and otherwise set the work duties of employees; to determine, modify, change and otherwise set job content and qualifications; to determine whether to offer light duty and to determine employee eligibility for light duty; to change job content and qualifications; to change job descriptions; to modify the methods, procedures, materials and operations to be used or to discontinue their use by employees of the Employer; to change standards and methods of performance; and in all respects to carry out, in addition, the ordinary and customary functions of management, whether exercised or not. The rights and waivers herein shall extend beyond the expiration of this Agreement until a successor agreement is reached.

Should a specific provision of this Agreement or State or Federal Law directly conflict with, modify or restrict an enumerated right under this Article, the specific provision of the Agreement or the State or Federal Law shall prevail over the enumerated right.

### ARTICLE 2 - BARGAINING UNIT

A. **UNION RECOGNITION.** The Employer recognizes the Union as the sole collective bargaining agent with respect to work, rates of pay, hours, and terms and conditions of employment for the appropriate bargaining unit composed of all employees, except as limited below, who perform work within drug stores operated under contract with UFCW Locals 135, 324, 770, 1167, 1428, 1442, 5 and 648 on January 1, 2018.

1. **Covered Employees.** Full-Time and part-time beauty advisors, store associates, pharmacy technicians, pharmacy lead technicians, store associate Rx, shift supervisors, shift supervisor Rx, inventory specialist, stock room supervisors in Ymas stores, home health care clerks and health care concierge.

2. **Excluded Employees.** All managers (including store team leaders), assistant managers, shift supervisor A, pharmacists, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, guards, and all employees not situated in CVS/pharmacy retail stores.



3. Geographic Area. The geographic area covered by this Agreement shall be the following counties in California: San Diego, Alameda, Marin, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, San Bernardino, Santa Barbara, Imperial, San Luis Obispo, Ventura, Los Angeles, Orange and Riverside. All employees outside these counties are excluded from the bargaining unit and this Agreement.

4. Workplaces. This Agreement shall apply only to CVS/pharmacy retail stores. It shall not include distribution centers, call centers, specialty pharmacies, MinuteClinics, or any other facilities operated by CVS.

5. Limitation. The parties acknowledge and agree that this Agreement shall not apply to any employees, any workplaces or geographic areas except as specifically set forth in this Article 2 (A).

#### B. INCLUDED BARGAINING UNIT WORK.

1. Current Work. All work performed on the premises in the nature of work generally performed by employees of the bargaining unit shall not be assigned to any person not in the bargaining unit or contracted for with any other union.

2. Future Work. Any future work of the nature generally performed by bargaining unit employees which is created by the Employer within the drug stores shall be performed by members of the bargaining unit as herein set forth.

3. Employee Definitions. For the purpose of this Agreement, the following definitions shall apply:

a. An intern pharmacist is a registered non-licensed pharmacist permitted to practice pharmacy under the direct supervision of a licensed pharmacist.

b. A retail clerk includes all other employees covered by this Agreement.

c. Hereinafter "employees" or "all employees" shall mean employees covered by this Agreement.

d. Probationary Employees. The first (1<sup>st</sup>) ninety (90) calendar days of employment shall be considered a probationary (trial) period. During such probationary period an employee may be terminated for any reason and the employee shall have no recourse to the grievance procedure set forth in this Agreement.

e. Store Associate Rx. Selection of Store Associate Rx's shall be determined by giving factors such as seniority, qualifications, performance and intent to remain with the Employer full consideration. Store Associate Rx's are those clerks who are assigned to assist in clerical and pharmacy related duties (including the running of the pharmacy register if it is in combination with clerical pharmacy duties), directly connected with the pharmacy and under the supervision of the pharmacist. A clerk who works in a pharmacy to operate a cash register, retrieve prescriptions or direct customers, shall not be considered a store associate Rx. Store Associate Rx's employed as of July 1, 1995 shall not be adversely affected by such clerks.



f. Special Classifications. Selection of the Photo Lab Supervisor, Shift Supervisor B, Beauty Advisor, and Coordinator shall be determined by giving factors such as seniority, qualifications, performance and intent to remain with the Employer full consideration. The Employer shall not employ less than an average of two (2) Special Classifications per store covered by this Agreement. There shall be no demotion of employees classified as Special Classifications except as provided for in Article 4-D. This Article shall not apply in new store openings until one hundred eighty (180) days after the date the new store opens to the public.

g. Pharmacy Technicians. Pharmacy Technicians shall be licensed by the California Board of Pharmacy pursuant to current laws and regulations. Employees shall be selected for the position of pharmacy technician on the basis of ability and skill, and where they are relatively equal, seniority shall govern. The Employer believes that the safety of its customers and the public is the fundamental guiding concern behind the establishment of this classification. To this end, the Employer shall provide mandatory training, on Employer time, as required by the regulation, for those individuals who are selected for the classification of pharmacy technician. Because of safety and quality control factors, the pharmacy technicians will be subject to the immediate and personal supervision of a registered pharmacist. Immediate and personal supervision in the case of a pharmacy technician requires that a pharmacist verify and document any function performed by a pharmacy technician in connection with all activities surrounding the dispensing of a prescription. It is understood and agreed that pharmacists, as trained professionals, have the ultimate responsibility for dispensing prescriptions. If any of the above becomes a conflict with the regulations of the California Board of Pharmacy, regulation shall control. The Employer agrees to provide additional training at its own cost in the event new laws or regulations mandate such training.

h. Lead Technician. The Employer, in its sole discretion, may select Pharmacy Technicians to become Lead Technician, whose additional duties may include, but not limited to: training and development of personnel for/in pharmacy; assist or be responsible, as directed by a Pharmacy Manager, for workflow processes, product ordering, inventory control, returns, financial record keeping, price changes, third party administration, customer service programs, special projects or any other duties as may be assigned. Minimum requirements are an EE rating or higher, 1 year as a pharmacy technician and successful completion of the Employer's training and certification program(s). Lead Technician positions shall remain at the Employer's sole discretion. After successfully completing the Employer's Lead Technician program and being assigned an available Specialist position, CVS Pharmacy shall provide a \$.75 per hour premium to Lead Technicians in this position.

C. EXCLUDED BARGAINING UNIT WORK. The following individuals shall be excluded from the coverage of this Agreement:

1. Management Exclusions.

a. Store managers (including store team leaders), assistant managers and shift supervisor A's shall be excluded from the coverage of this Agreement at the sole discretion of the Employer and shall be allowed to perform any and all work designated by the Employer within a store or any department without restriction so long as the total number of excluded management personnel does not exceed an average of four (4) exclusions per store and no more than five (5) in one store covered by this Agreement. The Employer will automatically provide the list of exclusions along with store number and local union number at the same time as the Full-time/Part-time list is provided.

b. It is agreed that only two (2) excluded supervisory management employees shall be permitted to perform bargaining unit work on Sunday or holidays (excluding load day) where the combined working hours of the store's full-time and part-time employees total less than one thousand (1,000) hours per week.

2. Outside Employees. It is agreed that the Employer and the Union have a common interest in protecting work opportunities for all employees covered by this Agreement. It is further agreed that the displaying, servicing, ordering and demonstrating of merchandise for sale can be handled at the Employer's discretion by nonbargaining unit displaymen, salesmen, vendor representatives, or any other employee of vendors which are servicing their merchandise to the Employer.

In no event, however, shall any bargaining unit employee be laid off or reduced in hours as a result of work being performed by any salesman, vendor or displayman described above.

3. Demonstrators who do not make sales or display merchandise for pick-up by customers.

4. Inventory employees whose function is strictly limited to taking inventories.

5. Office employees who are limited to office-clerical work and whose combination of duties does not include any of the clerks' work.

6. Future concessionaires or sublessees or their employees whose duties do not include work generally performed by members of the bargaining unit.

7. Licensed Pharmacists, including one (1) Pharmacy Manager per pharmacy.

8. Should any of the classifications hereinabove excluded in Paragraphs 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6, designate by a majority thereof the undersigned Union as their bargaining agent, the Employer agrees to recognize and bargain for said employees in accordance with the law.

#### D. INDIVIDUAL AGREEMENTS.

1. All Employees. The Employer agrees not to enter into any agreement or contract, either orally or written, with its employees covered by this Agreement, individually which in any way conflicts with the terms and provisions of this Agreement.

2. New Employees. During the period an employee is not a member of the Union, the regular wages, as herein specified for the classification of said employee and all other provisions of this Agreement shall apply.

### ARTICLE 3 - UNION AFFAIRS

#### A. REQUIRED UNION MEMBERSHIP.

1. Union Shop. All employees shall, as a condition of employment, become members of the Union not later than the thirty-first (31<sup>st</sup>) day of their employment or the thirty-first (31<sup>st</sup>) day following the date of signature or the effective date of this Agreement, whichever is later, and shall remain members in good standing as a condition of continued employment.



2. Seven Day Notice. The Union will advise the Employer in writing when any employee has failed to acquire or maintain Union membership as required by this Agreement. Immediately upon receipt of said notice, the Employer shall advise said employee(s) that they will no longer be scheduled for hours of work on the subsequent weekly schedule until said employee(s) give evidence of compliance or the Union notifies the Employer of such compliance. Failure to comply within seven (7) days after removal from the schedule said employee(s) shall be terminated, if such termination is not in violation of existing law.

**B. INFORMATION FOR UNION.**

1. New/Transferred Employees. The Employer's general office shall mail a list of new employees hired in a preceding month to the Union. Said list shall contain the name of such employees, their dates of employment, Social Security number, address, phone number, Employee ID number, job title, store number and initial rate of pay. The Employer will provide the new hire reports electronically on a weekly basis.

2. The Employer will provide weekly initiation fees and regular union dues electronically to all Union Locals covered under this Agreement.

3. Store Employee Lists. The Employer agrees to permit the Union to check the list of employees covered by this Agreement, and their respective wage rates of preceding months, and to furnish the Union a complete payroll list for all employees covered by this Agreement and wage rates effective the first (1<sup>st</sup>) payroll period each March and September. Said lists shall include hire dates, birth dates, and Employee Identification numbers from current records.

4. Payroll Data. In case of a dispute over wages the Union representative shall, upon request, have the right to a copy of the necessary payroll information relative to employees covered by this Agreement. The Union reserves the right to require, in such disputed instances as it deems necessary, that owed wages of employees be paid through the office of the Union or a notarized statement submitted to the Union of gross amounts paid and deductions made. Either method may be used by the Employer.

5. Time Records. Time cards or other time records which the employee shall be required to record work on a daily basis shall be available for inspection upon request by the Union representative entitled to such information.

**C. STORE VISITS.** In order to observe conditions existing under this Agreement and to settle grievances, representatives of the Union shall have the right to visit the stores.

It is the general policy of the Union for its representatives not to visit the stores during the busy afternoon hours, Saturdays or days preceding holidays. However, upon receipt of a reported violation, a Union representative shall have the right to visit such store at any time for the purpose of investigating such violation.

The Union further agrees that it will arrange with the Store Manager for such investigation of reported grievances and that any meetings between employees and Union representatives shall be limited to one (1) employee at a time and shall be conducted with the least possible interference with store operations. Such meetings shall be held on the premises in a place designated by the Store Manager. In instances where employees are working during hours that the stores are closed to the public, the Union may request a list of the employees involved, and the hours worked.

D. **UNION BULLETIN BOARDS.** The Union may supply each store with one (1) bulletin board not to exceed two (2) feet by three (3) feet in size for the purpose of posting notices of official Union business. Bulletin boards shall not be used to post notices of a political or adversarial nature. The implementation of this program shall be coordinated by the Employer's Regional Human Resource Manager.

E. **UNION PRINCIPLES.**

1. **New Employees.** When new or additional employees are needed, the Employer may immediately notify the Union of said need. The Employer reserves the right to select the particular applicant to be hired, but there shall be no discrimination against any applicant by reason of membership or nonmembership in the Union or in any way affected by Union membership, bylaws, rules, regulations, constitutional provisions, or any other aspect or obligation of Union membership, policies, or requirements.

2. **Union Principles/Picket Lines.** The Employer shall not discharge or discriminate against any employee for upholding Union principles, as long as such act does not constitute a violation of this Agreement, and nothing herein shall be so construed as to abrogate an employee's rights under the law, including the right individually to refuse to cross a bona fide picket line established in a bona fide dispute by any bona fide labor organization. For the purpose of this Paragraph, a sanctioned picket line shall be one which is sanctioned by the Local Union signatory to this Agreement and the Food and Drug Council or the appropriate County Federation of Labor, AFL-CIO.

F. **UNION BUSINESS.** Employees shall be granted time off without pay for the purpose of attending negotiations, adjustment or arbitration hearings or for other bona fide Union business.

The Employer agrees to schedule any employee who is an officer, or representative of the Union in any capacity, for hours of work that will permit the employee to attend meetings of the Union where the Union has given such notice in writing to the Employer, provided it involves not more than one (1) employee per store. The Union agrees to give the Employer no less than ten (10) days' notice of such meetings.

While the employee/representative of the Union serves in this capacity, they will not be subject to Article 5(A), Employer Transfer of Employees, or Article 5(B), Inter-Union Transfer.

The Employer recognizes the right of the Local Union to appoint two (2) stewards per store. The Union will notify the Labor Relations Department of the names and store number of the stewards. Upon three (3) weeks' notice to CVS's Labor Relations Department, one (1) Union steward per store will be designated by the Union to attend a one (1) day stewards' training seminar per calendar year and will receive one (1) day of pay by the Employer upon proof of attending such training seminar, provided CVS organizing activity is not solicited at such training seminar. One (1) day of pay for the union steward annual meeting is only for maximum of one steward per store of the stores per Local Union covered by this labor agreement.

G. **EMPLOYEE ORIENTATION.** The Employer agrees to allow a union representative up to ten (10) minutes to discuss the Union's role and to obtain signatures on applications and dues forms at the end of New Hire Orientation Meetings.



## ARTICLE 4 - DISCIPLINE/VOLUNTARY QUILTS

### A. REGISTER SHORTAGES/IRREGULARITIES.

1. No employee may be required to make up cash register shortages, unless the employee is given the privilege of checking the change and daily receipts upon starting and completing the work shift, and unless the employee has exclusive access to the cash register during the work shift, except as specified below.

2. No employee may be required to make up register shortages when management exercises its rights to open the register during the employee's work shift, unless the register is opened in the presence of the employee and the employee is given the opportunity to verify all withdrawals and/or deposits.

3. When, as the result of a shopper's report, an employee, subsequent to the shopping incident, is called upon for an interview by a security agent, the employee may, upon receipt of such advice or during such interview, request the presence of a Union representative during the interview. Such Union Representative must be available within a reasonable period of time but in no event later than twenty-four (24) hours after such request, or the interview may proceed without a Union Representative.

When an employee is the subject of a shopper's report or multiple reports and is to be counseled on said report or reports by the Employer, the counseling will take place within a reasonable time period not to exceed thirty (30) days from the date of the last report affecting the employee. The employee and the Union Representative will, by request, be given an opportunity to read said reports during counseling.

4. An employee discharged for cash register irregularities resulting from a shopper's report or multiple reports shall at the time of the discharge be provided with a copy of such reports, including the observer's report, together with the shopper's report. Failure to provide such reports shall convert any discharge into a ten (10) day layoff.

5. A warning notice shall not be required in the case of a discharge for cash register irregularities but such alleged irregularities must constitute good cause for the purpose of sustaining said discharge. Such alleged irregularities shall not constitute good cause for discharge when the Employer fails to follow the procedures set forth in Article 4, Paragraphs A-1 and A-2, unless the alleged irregularities are not affected by failure to follow said procedures.

B. INVESTIGATION/INTERVIEW. In any instance where an employee is to be interviewed and/or interrogated by the Employer or an Employer representative in respect to any alleged violation of the collective bargaining agreement or alleged infraction of Employer policies which may result in disciplinary action, the employee shall be afforded the opportunity of calling a Union Representative and having a Union Representative present during such interview or interrogation.

### C. DISCIPLINE.

1. Just Cause. Non-probationary employees shall not be discharged except for just cause such as dishonesty, insubordination, incompetency, intoxication, unbecoming conduct or failure to perform work as required. Non-probationary employees who are discharged for incompetency or failure

to perform work as required (including excessive absenteeism or excessive tardiness) shall first have had two (2) prior warnings in writing within twelve (12) months preceding the discharge of such incompetency or of related or similar failure to perform work as required, with a copy sent to the Union. The employee so notified shall be required to sign such notice, but such signing shall in no way constitute agreement with the contents of such notice. Age, sex, creed or color shall not be grounds for the termination of an otherwise qualified employee.

2. Discharge for Incompetency. It is understood that a discharge for incompetency shall occur only at the end of an employee's weekly schedule after the employee has completed the probationary period.

3. Notice. Any employee who is discharged shall be informed in writing at the time of discharge of the immediate cause of discharge, with a copy sent to the Union within one hundred sixty-eight (168) hours thereafter, excluding Saturday, and Sunday.

4. Legal Violations: Any employee who violates any federal, state or local law or regulation while working may be terminated without prior warning.

D. **DEMOTION.** No Special Classification employee, Pharmacy Service Associate, or Pharmacy or Lead Technician shall be demoted from their position because of deficient performance in the job without first (1<sup>st</sup>) having received a prior warning notice in writing, copy to the Union, spelling out the deficiencies.

E. **NOTICE OF INTENTION TO QUIT.** An employee who intends to quit the job shall, to the extent possible, give two (2) weeks' notice of the intention to quit. An employee who gives any notice of the intention to quit his job shall not be terminated or otherwise discriminated against during the current workweek and the workweek following the date on which the employee gives such notice, but in no event can the employee insist upon working later than the designated quit date if a replacement employee has already been hired.

#### ARTICLE 5 - TRANSFERS/SENIORITY

A. **EMPLOYER TRANSFER OF EMPLOYEES.** The Employer may transfer employees to meet the necessities of the business as long as, in so doing, the employee does not exceed the mileage time limits set forth below. Reasonable tolerance of these time limits shall be allowed for temporary transfers such as vacation relief and store openings. For good and sufficient reason, an employee may refuse a transfer from the jurisdictional area of one (1) Local Union to another or any store on the basis of seniority. An employee with more than one (1) year's continuous service with the Employer may file an application for transfer within the Employer to a store near their home. The Employer will give full consideration to such requests and attempt to grant them if it does not have an adverse effect on the business of the Employer. The requests will not be refused arbitrarily.

When the transfer of an employee becomes necessary, due to slackening of business, the Employer shall not require said employee to travel to a store that is more than fifteen (15) miles from their residence or twenty-five (25) miles from their residence in cases where there are not five (5) union stores within the fifteen (15) mile radius of the residence. In making transfers under this Paragraph, the Employer will make every effort to assign employees on a nondiscriminatory basis to the store which would cause the least hardship to the employee and require the least travel time. Such transfer shall not be used for disciplinary purposes.



B. **INTER-UNION TRANSFER.** If an employee is transferred from one (1) UFCW Union's area to another in California, the employee shall retain all seniority, but during a period of six (6) months from date of transfer, shall not displace any other employee, or reduce the employee's hours. This clause shall not be applicable in the event of the application of Article 5(E).

C. **SENIORITY.**

1. **Definition.** Seniority is the length of continuous employment of an employee with an individual Employer. Seniority shall apply across the California UFCW Clerk bargaining units. Temporary absence from work in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement shall not break seniority. Seniority can be broken only by the following:

- a. Quit.
- b. Discharge.
- c. Layoff for more than nine (9) months.
- d. Failure to return in accordance with the terms of a leave of absence or when recalled after a layoff.

2. **Promotion to Pharmacy Technician.** Drug Clerks and Store Associate Rx's promoted to Pharmacy Technicians shall receive the next higher rate of pay of Pharmacy Technicians and shall progress through the remaining progression steps based on additional months worked.

D. **ABILITY AND SKILL.** When seniority is invoked by an employee, the employee's ability and skill in performing the work claimed shall be the determining factors in establishing such rights.

E. **LAYOFFS/RECALLS/HOURS REDUCTIONS.**

1. **Layoffs.** An employee subject to layoff or reduction from Full-Time shall have the choice of displacing either the least senior employee in the same classification (classification includes Full-Time status) within the Employer's business district. If there is no less senior Full-Time employee in the same classification within the Employer's business district the employee will displace the least senior clerk/cashier in the employee's current store, or may opt to take the layoff.

Section 1 Employees (as defined in Article 14) will first be reviewed separately within the business district and follow the steps described above until such time the least senior Section 1 Employee is to be laid off. At that time the Section 1 Employee will have a right to bump the least senior clerk cashier within the Section 2 (as defined in Article 14) stores provided that the Section 1 Employee has higher seniority than the least senior clerk/cashier within the Section 2 stores.

2. **Layoff Timing.** A layoff shall occur only at the end of an employee's weekly schedule after the employee has completed the probationary period.

3. **Recall.** Laid off employees shall be recalled within their store on the basis of the last laid off shall be the first (1<sup>st</sup>) recalled.

a. A laid off employee who becomes eligible to return to work under the seniority provision must appear for work within ninety-six (96) hours, excluding Saturday and Sunday, after the Employer has made a good faith effort to notify the employee in writing of recall to work. The Employer will simultaneously notify the union of the employee's eligibility to return to work.

b. A full-time employee who has been reduced to part-time employment because of legitimate business reasons or for medical reasons, must be offered the first (1<sup>st</sup>) full-time job that opens in the store in which the employee is employed, provided that the employee is able to fill that job.

F. **FULL-TIME POSITIONS.** A part-time employee shall have the right to claim a full-time position when one becomes available within the Employer's operating district, based upon seniority, provided such part-time employee has the qualifications and ability with the Employer to perform the duties of the claimed position.

When a full-time position becomes available within the Employer's operating district a posting will be placed in each operating district store's break room and on-line for two (2) weeks and the most senior and qualified union employee will be considered for the job. Full-time employees who have been reduced to part-time status due to lack of work shall have priority over part-time employees who have not been full-time and involuntarily reduced. If no qualified applicants apply, the Employer will take applicants from outside the bargaining unit to fill the full-time position.

#### ARTICLE 6 - WORKDAY/WORKWEEK/SCHEDULES

A. **STORE HOURS.** The Employer shall have the sole right to fix and determine the opening and closing hours of its stores.

B. **WORKDAY DEFINED.** For the purposes of this Agreement a working day is the period from midnight to midnight. Where shifts overlap into two (2) working days, payment shall be made for the hours worked on each working day in accordance with the rates established for such days.

C. **WORKDAY GUARANTEES.**

1. **Full-Time/Scheduled Day.** All full-time employees reporting for work on their scheduled workday shall be guaranteed a full day's work of eight (8) hours with pay; except if a full-time employee is scheduled to work six (6) days in any workweek, the employee shall be guaranteed four (4) hours' work on the sixth (6<sup>th</sup>) day. The four (4) hour day need not be the actual sixth (6<sup>th</sup>) day, but may be, in the Employer's discretion, any one (1) of the workdays in the weekly work schedule except Sunday.

The integrity of the eight (8) hour full-time day shall be preserved and all time worked shall be paid for. Part-time jobs shall not be created or scheduled for the purpose of destroying the eight (8) hour full-time day.

2. **Full-Time/Predesignated Day Off.** Any full-time employee called for work on the employee's predesignated day off, as established in the work schedule provisions, shall be guaranteed eight (8) hours' work at the overtime rate of pay.

3. **Part-Time.** Upon reporting for work, all part-time employees and those replacing employees in an emergency shall be guaranteed not less than four (4) hours' work with pay. Only



registered school students who are under age eighteen (18) shall be allowed to work less than four (4) hours per shift during the period the student is attending school. "Employees who are called in to cover an absence or illness of another bargaining unit employee or an emergency may work less than a four (4) hour minimum on that shift.

4. On Call. If the Employer requires an employee to remain at home "on call" the Employer shall guarantee the employee four (4) hours' pay at the appropriate rate for such day. All Employer requests for an employee to remain available for "on call" duty shall be in writing to the employee.

#### D. WORKWEEK GUARANTEES.

1. Full-Time. The workweek shall be Sunday through Saturday. Eight (8) hours shall constitute a regular day's work, and forty (40) hours, consisting of five (5) eight (8) hour days shall constitute a regular week's work. All employees hired to work on a full-time basis or who are scheduled and work at least forty (40) hours in ten (10) consecutive weeks shall be guaranteed forty (40) hours' work per week, except in a holiday week, in which it shall be thirty-two (32) hours, provided the employee is available and able to work the required work schedule. Part-time jobs shall not be created or scheduled for the purpose of destroying the full-time forty (40) hour week principle.

a. A full-time employee is one employed and/or scheduled to work forty (40) hours per week. Any employee who works ten (10) consecutive weeks at forty (40) regular hours per week will be classified as a full-time employee. This requirement shall not apply during the Christmas (November 1 - January 15) or vacation season (June 1 - August 15) or where an employee is scheduled forty (40) hours due to the absence of another employee in excess of three (3) consecutive weeks. Provided, however, that forty (40) hour weeks worked immediately prior to any of the above exceptions and those worked immediately following the exception shall be considered continual for the purpose of calculating the ten (10) consecutive weeks.

b. A part-time employee (intern pharmacist or retail clerk) is one employed and/or scheduled to work less than forty (40) hours per week.

2. Part-Time. All non-probationary part-time employees shall be guaranteed a minimum of twelve (12) hours work per workweek unless it is operationally unfeasible. Unfeasible shall be defined as follows:

a. The employee is called in to cover an absence or illness of another bargaining unit employee or an emergency.

b. The employee is unable to work the scheduled hours or declines to work twelve (12) hours per workweek.

c. The employee working more than twelve (12) hours per workweek declines or refuses to work additional hours when requested to do so.

3. Part-Time Guarantee. All Section 1 part-time employees shall, after six (6) months of service, be scheduled a minimum of twenty-four (24) hours per workweek provided the employee is available to work the schedule hours. The employee must have a completed Availability Form on record with the Employer. This minimum guarantee is subject to the following conditions:

a. The employee must be available for five (5) out of seven (7) days including Saturdays and Sundays; and five (5) evening shifts (up to one (1) hour after store closing) or up to 11 p.m. if employed in a 24-hour store, but not scheduled to work overnight.

b. The employee is guaranteed at least two (2) weekend days off per month.

c. An associate may occasionally seek one (1) day or one (1) partial day off in advance of the schedule without reducing the twenty-four (24) hour guarantee. The twenty-four (24) hour guarantee shall include paid time off (such as holidays, jury pay, funeral pay, etc.) and shall not apply as provided in Article 6(E). The associate must work as scheduled.

d. The twenty-four (24) hour guarantee will not apply to an associate who is only available to work four (4) hours per day (thereby triggering a sixth (6<sup>th</sup>) day at overtime).

e. Past scheduling practices regarding an associate are not controlling. Example, a person who has not been working evenings would have to be available for evening work to be guaranteed twenty-four (24) hours. Management reserves the right to schedule the person twenty-four (24) or more hours without evening hours.

f. The twenty-four (24) hour guarantee shall not require an increase in overall hours.

g. If hours at a store need to be reduced due to business reasons, the part-time associates with the twenty-four (24) hour guarantee may be transferred to another location pursuant to Article 5(A) or waive the twenty-four (24) hour guarantee in lieu of transfer.

h. Schedule changes shall not arise due to disciplinary reasons, however, the Company reserves the right to determine associate schedules.

i. Eligible employees may elect to work less than twenty-four (24) hours per workweek. Such election must be in writing with a copy to the Union. In such cases the employee will be scheduled pursuant to the twelve (12) hour minimum provided for above. An employee who waives the right to the 24-hour guarantee may revoke this decision with a two (2) week notice, up to a maximum of two (2) times in a rolling twelve (12) month period.

4. a. All Section 2 employees will be guaranteed thirty (30) hours after thirty (30) months of service.

b. The twenty-four (24) and twelve (12) hour guarantee would stay in effect until the thirty (30) hour guarantee kicks in.

c. Current Section 2 Employees with twenty-four (24) hour minimum guarantees who are ineligible to work thirty (30) hours shall be guaranteed twenty-four (24) hours per week until the time that they are eligible for thirty (30) hour minimum.

d. Effective January 1, 2018 Section 2 Employees ineligible or unavailable to work thirty (30) hours per week, shall be guaranteed a minimum of sixteen (16) hours per week. In order to be eligible for sixteen (16) minimum, employees must provide their work availability.



e. Section 2 Employees are not subject to flat line provisions in the contract. Flat line is only subject to Section 1 Employees.

f. Modify the Unfeasible language to reflect sixteen (16) hour guarantee to include: Employee is unable to work the scheduled hours available that remain on the store schedule or declines to work sixteen (16) hours per week.

5. Workweek Guarantee Grievances. Grievances regarding the work week guarantees must be filed within seventy-six (76) hours, excluding Saturday and Sunday and legal holidays, of the schedule being posted or shall be forever waived.

E. NON-APPLICABILITY OF GUARANTEES. In the event operations cannot commence or continue for reasons beyond the control of the Employer including, but not limited to, acts of God, fire, flood, insurrection, war, nuclear alarm or disaster, civil disturbance, governmental shut down, or failure of public utilities, the foregoing guarantees shall be satisfied by an offer of hours in a store that is within fifteen (15) miles of the employee's residence or within twenty-five (25) miles of their residence in cases where there are not five (5) union stores within the fifteen (15) mile radius of the residence. If the employee turns down the offer of hours, the employee may use available sick hours (unless prohibited by any local or state sick leave statute) or vacation hours to cover the scheduled hours missed due to the emergency event.

#### F. WORK SCHEDULE.

1. Ready for Work. All employees shall report for and be ready for work at their scheduled starting time. The term "ready for work" shall include appropriate or required dress.

2. Work Schedule. The Employer shall post a work schedule for a one (1) week period in advance in ink for all employees, showing their surname and first initial, not later than 1 p.m. on the Wednesday preceding the first (1<sup>st</sup>) day of the following workweek. The work schedule shall not be changed after posting, except as provide for below. An employee shall be guaranteed pay for the specific days in a workweek upon which the employee is scheduled to work, provided the employee is available for such work, subject to Article 6-E of this Agreement. The schedule may be changed after 1 p.m. on Wednesday but no later than 1 p.m. on Thursday to accommodate an employee returning from leave of absence. The schedule may also be changed with the Union's agreement in response to a grievance filed pursuant to Article 6(D)(3)(g) or Article 6(F)(3).

All employees shall be included on one (1) schedule or two (2) schedules (one pharmacy schedule and one non-pharmacy schedule) which are posted alongside one another. The schedules shall show total number of hours scheduled for each employee. Information shall be posted alongside the schedule indicating employee classification and full-time/part-time status. The Employer will post an agreed upon notice reminding employees to raise schedule issues no later than forty eight (48) hours following the schedule posting. Such notice will be posted in the same area where the schedule is posted.

In the event that a new schedule is not posted, the previous weeks' schedule shall apply. In formulating the work schedule of any employee, a minimum of ten (10) hours shall have elapsed between the two (2) consecutive work shifts unless the weekly rotation of Sunday and night shifts is involved, provided, however, that this provision shall not apply to an employee designated by the Store Manager to act in the Store Manager's absence, nor shall it apply in the event of emergencies. Work performed prior to the ten (10) hours' elapsed time in violation of this Paragraph shall be paid at the rate of time and one-half (1½).

The Employer shall endeavor to rotate all clerks on night and Sunday work, except where such rotation adversely affects the Employer's operation, and provided such rotation is agreeable to the employee.

All five (5) day full-time employees shall have one (1) weekend (Saturday and Sunday) off each month except November and December. Any employee not wishing to be scheduled for one (1) weekend off per month shall give notice to this effect in writing to the Store Manager. (In such instances, Article 7- D-3 will apply.)

3. Part-Time Scheduled Hours. More senior part-time employees shall not be scheduled fewer hours in a store than less senior part-time employees, who are qualified to perform the same work in the same store when availability is equal. Alleged violations of this Paragraph must be grieved by 1 P.M. on Friday or shall be forever waived. Reduction of hours of a less senior employee necessitated by the scheduling of more hours to a senior employee shall not give rise to any schedule/pay grievance by a less senior employee. The Employer agrees that it will not flat schedule all part-time employees in any store.

4. Rest Periods.

a. More Than 6 Hours. An employee working more than six (6) hours in a day shall receive two (2) fifteen (15) minute uninterrupted rest periods during such day. Each fifteen (15) minute rest period includes travel time. The first (1<sup>st</sup>) rest period shall be given in the first (1<sup>st</sup>) half of the shift and the second (2<sup>nd</sup>) period during the second (2<sup>nd</sup>) half of such shift.

b. More Than 2 Hours. An employee working more than two (2) hours and not more than six (6) hours shall receive one (1) fifteen (15) minute uninterrupted rest period. Each fifteen (15) minute rest period includes travel time. This shall be given during the first (1<sup>st</sup>) four (4) hours of the employee's shift.

c. All Employees. All employees who are required to work a minimum of an additional one (1) hour of overtime shall be entitled to a ten (10) minute rest period as the total elapsed time away from performing assigned duties prior to the start of such overtime work. Insofar as practicable, rest periods shall be in the middle of each work period. The rest period shall be considered uninterrupted when the employee is not ordered back to work by someone in charge. Should an employee's rest period be interrupted, the employee shall be given a new uninterrupted rest period as soon as possible.

5. Meal Period. All hours shall be worked consecutively, except for a meal period which shall be one (1) hour. No eight (8) hour employee shall be scheduled for more than five (5) hours or less than three (3) hours before a meal break. However, by mutual agreement in writing between the Store Manager and the employee, less than one (1) hour may be established to meet business conditions, but in no event may less than one-half (½) hour be given. If the Union becomes aware of abuse it reserves the right to revoke the option at any location(s) after first covering the Steps 1 and 2 of the grievance procedure contained in Article 16.

6. Sixth/Seventh Day. No employee shall be required to work seven (7) days in any workweek except in an emergency. It shall not be a violation of this contract, nor shall it constitute cause for discharge, if an employee declines to work on the sixth (6<sup>th</sup>) day of the workweek unless scheduled to work on such day.



7. Sunday Ratio. The Employer may schedule no more than three (3) short shifts [less than eight (8) hours] for every one (1) eight (8) hour shift scheduled.

8. Holiday Ratio.

a. Shift Ratio. The Employer may schedule no more than three (3) short shifts [less than eight (8) hours] for every one (1) eight (8) hour shift scheduled.

b. Less Than 9 Hour Stores. In those stores open for less than nine (9) hours on holidays, full-time employees who have been scheduled for four (4) eight (8) hour days will be permitted to work less than eight (8) hours on the holiday, but will be guaranteed the number of hours the store is open, less a lunch hour if the shift exceeds six (6) hours. Such employees shall receive no less than five (5) hours' pay at the holiday premium rate. If said employees perform work before the store opening and/or after the store closing, the eight (8) hour guarantee at the holiday premium rate of pay shall apply, and all hours worked in excess of eight (8) hours shall be compensated at the holiday premium rate of pay. This exemption from the holiday guarantee shall apply to full-time employees only, unless no full-time employees are available.

9. Holiday Scheduling.

a. Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve. Employees working on the day of December 24<sup>th</sup> or December 31<sup>st</sup> shall be scheduled on the basis of inverse seniority to allow the most senior employee(s) the early shift on Christmas and New Year's Eves.

b. For all employees, work on Thanksgiving and Christmas Day shall be voluntary. If the Employer is unable to staff the store with qualified employees on a voluntary basis, the Employer will by inverse seniority schedule qualified employees to work on Thanksgiving and Christmas Day, and if the work schedule has been posted the employee shall be required to work said day.

c. Holiday Work Preference. Written requests by the employee made to the Store Manager prior to the posting of the schedule to work on any holiday shall be given first (1<sup>st</sup>) preference based on seniority. Written requests must be turned in to the person in charge five (5) days prior to the posting of the work schedule. This provision shall not be a requirement on the Employer to create overtime work.

10. Overtime Preference. Employees shall be given preference for overtime and holiday work by seniority, provided they are qualified to perform such work and available on a timely manner based upon the needs of the business. This provision shall not be a requirement on the Employer to create overtime work.

11. Inventory Work. The present inventory taking practice shall continue; provided, however, that employees covered by this Agreement shall be paid for all time spent taking inventory at the appropriate contractual rate. No inventory work shall be required to be performed by employees covered by this Agreement on the evenings before Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day.

12. Full-time/Part-time Ratio. The Employer agrees to a ratio that will provide an overall ratio of thirty-seven percent (37%) full-time employees and sixty-three percent (63%) part-time employees, throughout the jurisdiction of this Agreement. It is agreed that all UFCW bargaining unit employees shall be included within the calculation, excluding only employees classified as Christmas extras. The Employer acknowledges that this ratio shall be accomplished through attrition or as provided for in Article 5(E) of this Agreement.

The full-time ratio shall be determined on an all Southern California UFCW Locals basis for clerks. The Employer shall provide to the Union Locals a semi-annual list of bargaining unit employee names, social security number, full-time or part-time status, store and Local Union number. The Employer shall provide to the Union Locals a semi-annual list of the names and store number of non-bargaining unit full-time pharmacists employed at clerk represented stores for ratio verification purposes only. These semi-annual lists shall only be run for the second (2<sup>nd</sup>) payroll week ending each March and second (2<sup>nd</sup>) payroll week ending each September and shall automatically be provided to the Union locals.

It is expressly understood by the parties that the Employer may count all full-time pharmacists employed in the bargaining unit stores in the full-time ratio for the purpose of this Section.

13. Working Employees Past Scheduled Hours. Employees shall not be required to stay past their scheduled hours provided the employee has a valid reason and the Employer can obtain another qualified employee to volunteer or through inverse seniority. The Employer shall attempt to provide notice as early in the shift circumstances permit, but in no event less than one (1) hour before the shift ends. Also, no employee required to stay shall be required to stay longer than one (1) hour beyond the scheduled quitting time. Both one (1) hour requirements do not apply in case of emergency.

14. Minimum Staffing of Front Store. The Employer agrees to schedule a minimum of two (2) people in the front store for hours when the store is open to the public.

## ARTICLE 7 - WAGES

### A. ALL EMPLOYEES.

1. Base Rates. Attached to and made a part of this Agreement is Appendix A which sets forth the straight-time hourly rates for all employees covered by this Agreement.

2. Prior Industry Experience.

a. New hires shall be credited with prior experience and paid at no less than the wage rate they were last receiving prior to leaving the industry. The number of years employed at the previous Employer shall be counted toward an employee's six (6) year increase and seven (7) year top rate entitlement [five (5) year top rate entitlement for Pharmacy Technicians].

b. New hires not previously employed by the Employer or its predecessor Company who are entitled to prior experience shall receive the entry level wage rate during the first (1<sup>st</sup>) thirty (30) days of employment and the six (6) month rate during the next ninety (90) days of employment. Thereafter the employee shall be paid in accordance with paragraph (a) above.

c. New hires previously employed by the Employer shall receive full credit for prior experience with the Employer in the type of work to be performed.

d. Definition of Prior Experience. Prior industry experience is defined as experience under UFCW collective bargaining agreements in the State of California in the drug and discount industry or general merchandise in the food agreement during the ten (10) year period prior to employment under this Agreement. Only such experience stated on the employee's application and confirmed by the Employer or acceptable proof shall be credited.



3. Christmas Extra Employees. Clerks hired specifically to work during the period of November 1<sup>st</sup> through January 15<sup>th</sup> shall be paid at the clerk minimum rate(s).

4. Journeyman. With reference to clerks hired prior to July 1, 1986, the Employer agrees not to replace them with employees hired on or after July 1, 1986, for the purpose of taking advantage of the lower rates effective on or after July 1, 1986.

#### B. PREMIUMS.

1. Evening Premium. This Section shall not apply to employees hired on or after July 5, 2004. For all time worked by employees, after 7 P.M. and before 10 P.M., a premium of twenty-five cents (25¢) per hour shall be paid.

2. Night Premium For all time worked by employees after 10 P.M. and before 7 A.M., a premium of one dollar (\$1.00) per hour shall be paid.

3. Sunday Premium. For all time worked on Sunday by employees, a premium of one dollar (\$1.00) per hour shall be paid. This provision shall not apply to employees hired on or after July 1, 1986.

C. SPECIALTY CLASSIFICATIONS. Each Pharmacy Service Associate, Photo Lab Supervisor, Shift Supervisor B, Coordinator and Beauty Advisor, as defined in Article 2-B-3-g and h, who is primarily and regularly responsible for such activity, will be compensated in accordance with Appendix A Wages-Position Premiums.

#### D. OVERTIME.

1. Daily/Weekly Overtime. All work performed in excess of the regular day's work of eight (8) straight-time hours in any one (1) day, or in excess of the regular forty (40) straight-time hours in any one (1) regular workweek, or thirty-two (32) straight-time hours in any holiday week exclusive of work on the holiday, shall be deemed overtime and paid for at the overtime rate of time and one-half (1½) the employee's regular straight-time rate of pay, or at a higher premium rate, if such is applicable.

2. Sixth Day Overtime/Full-Time. Time and one-half (1½) shall be paid to a full-time employee who works on said sixth (6<sup>th</sup>) day in a workweek, provided the employee completes the scheduled workweek.

3. Seventh Consecutive Day Overtime/Full-Time. When a five (5) day, full-time employee is scheduled to work more than six (6) consecutive days in any combination of workweeks, said employee shall receive time and one-half (1½) (or such higher premium as may apply) for all time worked after the sixth (6<sup>th</sup>) consecutive day, until such time as the consecutive days of work have been interrupted by a prescheduled day off. The above shall not apply to regularly scheduled six (6) day employees, provided that overtime or premium rates are paid where applicable. The sixth (6<sup>th</sup>) day of work within one (1) workweek, whether prescheduled or not, shall act as an interruption in the continuity of consecutive days worked. Where the application of this sixth (6<sup>th</sup>) day provision would interfere with the rotation of days off, overtime shall be paid after the seventh (7<sup>th</sup>) consecutive day. This paragraph shall not apply when the seventh (7<sup>th</sup>) consecutive day is necessary to accommodate the employee's written request for specific days off.

4. Pre-designated Day Off Overtime/Full-Time. Time and one-half (1½) pay shall be paid to a full-time employee for work on the employee's pre-designated day off as established in the work schedule.

5. Sixth Day Overtime/Part-Time. Part-time employees shall be paid time and one-half (1½), or such premium rate as may apply, for all work performed on the sixth (6<sup>th</sup>) day of work as such, in any regular workweek, or on the fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) day of work in any week in which a holiday falls, excluding the holiday, as provided in this contract, except that this Paragraph shall not apply when a part-time employee desires, in writing, additional work, including work on a sixth (6<sup>th</sup>) workday and the Employer accommodates said employee. If the Union becomes aware of abuse it reserves the right to revoke the option at any location(s) after first covering the Steps 1 and 2 of the grievance procedure contained in Article 16.

6. Early/Late Meal Periods. Eight (8) hour employees who are required to work less than three (3) hours before commencing their meal period shall receive overtime pay for the time between the start of the meal period and the three (3) hour mark. An eight (8) hour employee who is required to work in excess of five (5) hours without a meal period shall receive overtime pay from the end of the fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) hour until the meal period commences.

7. Overtime Basis. The overtime rate for employees who receive a wage scale in excess of the rates in this contract shall be based on said employee's actual rate of pay.

8. Nonpyramiding. The following are penalty rates: overtime rates, premium rates (night and Sunday), and holiday rates. No penalty rate of any kind shall be pyramided or paid in addition to any other penalty rates, and only the single highest applicable penalty rate shall be paid for any given hour of work.

E. PAY PERIOD AND WAGE STATEMENT. All employees shall be paid on a weekly or biweekly basis. The Employer shall designate a payday not to exceed six (6) days following the completion of the applicable pay period, and employees must be paid on that day. The Employer agrees to furnish each employee with a weekly itemized wage statement showing the name of the employee, period covered, straight-time and overtime or premium hours worked, total amount of straight-time, overtime and premium wages paid, the hourly rate of pay and for apprentices the accumulated hours worked to date, and all deductions made. An employee scheduled off on a payday shall be paid on the employee's last scheduled working day before the payday, if checks are available.

It is understood and agreed that the Employer contemplates changing the method of payment to employees from the present weekly method to a biweekly method of payment. The Union agrees that such a method of payment will be permissible during the term of this Agreement so long as the Employer gives the Union and the employees no less than six (6) weeks' notice in writing.

F. TIME RECORDS.

1. Daily Records. The Employer shall furnish forms, either timecards or other time records, on which the employee shall be required daily to record time worked on each day. Such daily record shall be verified by the Employer and employee at least weekly.

2. Collusion or Coercion. In the event of falsification of time records through collusion or coercion, where it is established that both the employee and the Employer had knowledge of such falsification, the employee shall be paid for all time worked, by check mailed to the Union.



G. **TRAVEL TIME PAY.** Whenever an employee is required by the Employer to change from one store to another during the same day, all time consumed by said employee in going either to or from one store to another shall be considered and paid for as part of the employee's regular duties.

H. **INJURY ON THE JOB.** When an employee is injured on the job, there shall be no deduction from the employee's pay for the day in which the employee was injured and reported for medical care. When such employee returns to work following the injury, and is certified as ready and able to perform all regular duties, but requires medical treatment as a result of the same injury, the Employer shall adjust the work schedules without penalty to the employee, to provide both the time for medical care and the number of hours of work for which the employee is regularly scheduled.

I. **LEGAL PROCEEDINGS.**

1. **Required Appearance.** Any employee served with a legal notice, citation or subpoena which involves any facet of the Employer's operation, or which may require the employee to appear in legal proceedings during scheduled work time, shall immediately inform the Employer of such service.

2. **Requested Appearance.** Employees shall be paid as time worked under the terms of this Agreement for time spent at appearances in legal proceedings at the request of the Employer.

3. **Work Related Appearance.** In addition, employees shall be paid as time worked under this contract for time spent at appearances or required standby in legal proceedings under subpoena issued by the court when the event, or events, giving rise to the issuance of the subpoena occurred while the employee was on duty working for the Employer, and so long as the Employer is not a party defendant or respondent in such proceeding, and no relief of any kind is sought against the Employer nor the imposition of any penalty or punishment upon the Employer.

4. Former employees who at the time of the legal appearance are no longer employed by the Employer, shall be paid by such Employer at the rate of straight time for the time spent at the legal appearance, with a minimum guarantee of four (4) hours per day. In no sense is it to be construed that the former employee becomes an employee as a result of such payment.

J. **STORE/EMPLOYER/VENDOR MEETING PAY.**

1. **Store Meetings/Employer Meetings.** No store and/or Employer meetings shall be held as to conflict with the regular meetings of the Union, and upon three (3) days' notice to the Employer of a special meeting, the Employer agrees to hold no store meetings in conflict therewith. Time spent at store meetings shall be considered as time worked and paid for in accordance with this Agreement, but shall not constitute hours worked with respect to overtime provisions of Article 7-D-2, 3, 4 and 5 or any other premium pay and report-in pay provisions of Article 6-C-1, 2 and 3 for the first (1<sup>st</sup>) four (4) store meetings held in each calendar year. The Employer will consider reasonable excuses by employees for not attending a meeting on their scheduled day off.

2. **Vendor Meetings.** If the Employer requests an employee to attend a meeting of any vendor, the Employer shall pay the employee as time worked.

K. **AUTO ALLOWANCE.** Personnel who travel in behalf of the Employer and who are members of the bargaining unit shall receive all improvements in auto allowance for other personnel who travel for the Employer, but no less than the amount they are presently receiving.

L. **TRAINING SCHOOL FEES.** Where, as a condition of employment, the Employer requires attendance at a school or training establishment, and where a fee is charged for such instruction or training, the fee shall be borne by the Employer.

M. **BOND FEES.** Whenever the Employer requires the bonding of any employee or the carrying of any insurance for the indemnification of the Employer, the premiums for the same shall be paid for by the Employer. Should an employee be refused bond by a bonding company, after the first (1<sup>st</sup>) thirty (30) days of employment, the Employer agrees to make a reasonable effort to secure a bond in an appropriate case without added cost to the Employer.

N. **REQUIRED HEALTH EXAM FEES.** The Employer shall pay the cost for any city, county or state health examination required of employees who are covered by this Agreement.

O. **NO REDUCTION IN RATES.** It is further agreed that no employee shall suffer any reduction in rates or general working conditions by reason of the signing of this Agreement. No employee receiving hourly rates in excess of the rates herein shall be replaced by another employee at a lesser hourly rate for the purpose of avoiding any of the provisions of this Agreement.

P. **WAGE/PRICE CONTROLS.** If by Presidential decree or legislative enactment, wage and price controls are instituted which cause any provisions of this Agreement to affect either of the parties adversely, such provisions may be reopened for negotiations. The party adversely affected must give fifteen (15) days' written notice to the other party in order to so reopen this Agreement. Any issues unresolved as a result of such reopening may be submitted to final and binding arbitration by either party under the procedures set forth in Article 16.

Q. **CHARITY.** The Employer shall not conduct or handle any campaign or drive for charitable purposes among the employees except where the cooperation and contributions of the employees are voluntary.

## ARTICLE 8 - VACATIONS

### A. **ENTITLEMENT.**

1. **One Year.** All full-time employees who have been continuously employed by the Employer for one (1) year shall receive one (1) weeks' vacation with full pay.

2. **Two Years.** All full-time employees who have been continuously employed by the Employer for two (2) years shall receive two (2) weeks' vacation with full pay.

3. **Five Years.** All full-time employees who have been continuously employed by the Employer for five (5) years shall receive three (3) weeks' vacation with full pay.

4. **Fifteen Years.** All full-time employees who have been continuously employed by the Employer for fifteen (15) years shall receive four (4) weeks' vacation with full pay.

5. **Twenty Years.** All full-time employees who have been continuously employed by the Employer for twenty (20) years shall receive five (5) weeks' vacation with full pay.



6. Continuous Employment Defined. Continuous employment for the purpose of this Article shall be measured from the last date of hire with the Employer. However, where there has been continuous leave of absence in excess of one (1) year, the period of continuous employment shall be reduced by the number of full years of such absence. When a first (1<sup>st</sup>) contract is signed, the period of employment for vacation eligibility shall be measured from the last date of hire with the Employer.

B. PAY.

1. Full-Time Vacation Pay. The term "full pay" shall be defined as forty (40) hours' pay at the employee's straight-time hourly rate which was in effect at the time the vacation became due on the employee's anniversary date provided, however, that if the Employer does not pay the vacation pay on the anniversary date, the payment of vacation pay shall be based on straight-time hourly rate of pay in effect at the time the employee takes the vacation.

Absence from work up to seven (7) weeks or 280 (two hundred eighty) straight-time hours within the period of fifty-two (52) consecutive weeks, immediately preceding the employee's anniversary date, due to sickness, injury or temporary layoff, or other bona fide emergencies, shall be considered as time worked for the purpose of determining eligibility for full vacation pay. In the event that an employee is absent from work in excess of seven (7) weeks, as set forth above, whatever vacation pay the employee is entitled to shall be prorated according to the ratio that the straight-time hours actually worked bear to 2,080 (two thousand eighty) hours. Hours worked shall include paid holidays, paid vacations and paid jury duty.

2. Part-Time Vacation Pay. Part-time employees shall be entitled to vacation pay on each anniversary date of their employment, prorated on the basis of the average straight-time hours worked during the preceding year, according to the vacation formula set forth in this Article 8-A. Said vacation pay shall be based on the straight-time hourly rate in effect on the employee's anniversary date provided, however, that if the Employer does not pay the vacation pay on the anniversary date, the payment shall be based on the straight-time hourly rate of pay in effect at the time the employee takes the vacation.

3. Payment Date. Employees receive vacation pay at the time the vacation is taken. If the employee wishes to be paid in advance of their vacation, the employee may request payment for their vacation two (2) weeks prior to their vacation week. The payment of an employee's vacation pay shall be by separate check or computed at the same tax rate schedule as the computation of regular wages per week. Termination vacation pay is due in accordance with California State Law.

4. At Termination.

a. General. Upon termination of employment for any reason other than discharge for proven or admitted dishonesty, an employee shall receive whatever vacation pay is due, prorated on the basis of the number of straight-time hours worked, provided that the employee has been in the continuous employ of the Employer for six (6) months or longer. Said vacation pay shall be prorated according to the ratio that the straight-time hours actually worked bear to 2,080 (two thousand eighty) hours. Employees terminated for proven or admitted dishonesty shall forfeit all vacation pay.

b. After 6 Months. Employees whose employment is terminated, and who have been in the continuous employ of the Employer more than six (6) months, but less than one (1) year, shall not be entitled to such pro rata pay where termination of employment is due to a discharge or to a voluntary quit, but shall receive prorated vacation only where termination of employment is due to a layoff.



c. After 12 Months. Any employee who has been in the employ of the same Employer for twelve (12) consecutive calendar months, but not to exceed eighteen (18) consecutive calendar months, shall upon termination of employment be entitled to receive a pro rata of the earned vacation on the basis of one (1) workweek consisting of forty (40) hours at straight-time pay for all months for which no vacation has been paid.

d. After 18 Months. When an employee has been in the employ of the same Employer in excess of eighteen (18) consecutive calendar months, the employee shall receive upon termination, a pro rata of accrued vacation pay on the basis of eighty (80) hours at straight-time pay for all months for which no vacation has been paid, but in no event shall vacation pay for the first (1<sup>st</sup>) year's employment exceed one (1) week's pay. It is further provided that employees who voluntarily quit after eighteen (18) consecutive calendar months of employment with the same Employer, and prior to two (2) years' employment with the same Employer, shall receive pro rata of accrued vacation pay on the basis of forty (40) hours at the straight-time rate of pay.

e. After 5 Years. An employee who has been in the employ of the same Employer for five (5) years or more shall, upon termination, receive accrued vacation pay on the basis of three (3) weeks per year for all time in excess of five (5) years for which no vacation pay has been received.

f. After 15 Years. An employee who has been in the employ of the same Employer for fifteen (15) years or more shall, upon termination, receive accrued vacation pay on the basis of four (4) weeks per year for all time in excess of fifteen (15) years for which no vacation pay has been received.

g. After 20 Years. An employee who has been in the employ of the same Employer for twenty (20) years or more shall, upon termination, receive accrued vacation pay on the basis of five (5) weeks per year for all time in excess of twenty (20) years for which no vacation pay has been received.

5. No Carryover. Vacation may not be waived by an employee, nor may extra pay be received for work during that period; provided, however, that by prior mutual agreement between the Employer, the employee and the Union, this provision may be waived.

C. INDUSTRY VACATION. Additional vacation pay based on industry experience shall be provided in accordance with the provisions of the Trust Fund set forth in Article 14. Said additional vacation pay shall be paid to the employee by the Trust Fund. Any employee entitled to vacation pay as herein provided shall not suffer any loss of credits for health and welfare benefits or pension benefits that are provided under Article 14 of this Agreement.

#### D. SCHEDULING.

1. Posting/Selection/Scheduling. The Employer shall prepare and post in each store a vacation schedule not later than January 15<sup>th</sup> of each year and such vacation schedule shall remain posted until March 1<sup>st</sup> for the purpose of enabling the employees to select their vacation period. Vacation periods shall be fixed by the Employer to suit the requirements of the business, but as far as possible and practicable, vacations will be given during the summer months (through October if requested by the employee), and for employees with school-age children during the school summer vacation. In scheduling a vacation of an employee, the Employer shall give as much notice as possible prior to the date of beginning the vacation but not less than thirty (30) days. Vacation period shall be unbroken except by mutual consent between Employer and employee.

Vacation periods other than those listed above may be applied for to management and full consideration will be given to grant the request unless it has an adverse effect on the Employer's business.

The Employer shall be required to give vacation time off based on the number of weeks of vacation due the employee from the Employer and from the vacation trust fund. Within the limits set forth in this Paragraph, vacations shall be scheduled by seniority.

2. No Accumulation. Vacations may not be cumulative from one (1) year to another.

3. Holiday During Vacation. If a holiday named under Article 9 of this Agreement falls within the vacation period of an employee, the employee shall be granted an additional day of vacation with full pay, or an additional day's pay in lieu of the holiday. The additional day of vacation shall be counted as a day worked for the purpose of weekly overtime computation during the week in which the employee returns to work.

## ARTICLE 9 - HOLIDAYS

### A. PAID HOLIDAYS.

1. Eligibility. The following days shall be holidays (although the Employer may be open for business on any or all of them notwithstanding Paragraph 2 below) and granted without reduction in pay except during the first six (6) months of their employment, employees shall not be entitled to pay for time not worked on the holiday, or to overtime for the first (1<sup>st</sup>) eight (8) hours on the fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) day of such week.

New Year's Day	Labor Day
Martin Luther King Jr. Day	Thanksgiving Day
Memorial Day	Christmas Day
Independence Day	Up to Three (3) Personal Days

Employees shall be eligible for personal holidays in accordance with the schedule below:

(a) An employee, who completes 1 year of employment shall be eligible for a personal holiday that shall be taken any time during the remainder of the year except for the month of December;

(b) An employee, who completes 2 years of employment shall be eligible for 2 personal holidays that shall be taken any time during the remainder of the year except for the month of December;

(c) An employee, who completes 3 years of employment, by December 31, 2021, shall be eligible for 3 personal holidays that shall be taken any time during the remainder of the year except for the month of December;

(d) Effective January 1<sup>st</sup> each year, employees who have completed three or more years of service as of that date shall be eligible for up to three (3) personal holidays, as set forth in the above subsections (a)-(c), which shall be taken any time during the calendar year except for the month of December.



Personal holidays are expected to be scheduled and taken. Each employee shall give the Employer no less than 2 weeks' advance notice of the date on which they wish to observe their personal holidays. Personal holidays may not be celebrated in the month of December. In the event an employee is unable to schedule and take a personal holiday(s), the pay for that holiday(s) will be paid in December each year.

Any unused personal holiday pay, will be paid upon termination.

No employee shall receive pay for any holidays not worked unless such employee has reported for work on the regular working day next preceding and next following said holiday. Employees shall be deemed to have reported for work if absence on said day before and said day after said holiday is due to express permission from or action of the Employer, provided the employee has worked during the holiday week, except that if the employee is absent during the entire holiday week due to illness or injury, then the employee must have worked at least one (1) day during the week immediately preceding the holiday week in order to be entitled to holiday pay.

2. All contractual holidays shall be observed on the holiday itself.

#### B. HOLIDAY PAY.

1. Worked Holiday Rate. Work as such on a holiday shall be compensated for at two and one-half (2½) times the straight-time hourly rate of pay for all hours worked after an employee's first (1<sup>st</sup>) six (6) months of employment. Said two and one-half (2½) times shall include any premium pay or overtime that may be applicable, and includes pay for the holiday itself.

2. Full-Time Holiday Week Pay and Schedule. A regular holiday workweek shall consist of the holiday itself and four (4) other eight (8) hour days. All full-time employees shall receive forty (40) hours of straight-time pay for thirty-two (32) straight-time hours of work excluding the holiday. A full-time employee, not working on a holiday, shall receive eight (8) hours' pay for the holiday, in addition to the pay specified in this Agreement for the other four (4) days referred to above. All time worked over the thirty-two (32) hours, exclusive of the holiday, shall be paid for at the rate of time and one-half (1½) the employee's regular rate of pay.

The following hypothetical examples accurately reflect the intention of the parties set forth above with respect to employees after one (1) year of employment.



	Su	(Holiday) M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa	Total Hours Worked	Hours of Pay at Straight Time
<b>Example #1</b>									
Hrs. wkd.	0	0	8	8	8	8	0	32	
Pay for	0	8	8	8	8	8	0		40
<b>Example #2</b>									
Hrs. wkd.	0	0	8	8	8	8	8	40	
Pay for	0	8	8	8	8	8	12		52
<b>Example #3</b>									
Hrs. wkd.	0	8	8	8	8	8	0	40	
Pay for	0	20	8	8	8	8	0		52
<b>Example #4</b>									
Hrs. wkd.	8	0	8	8	8	8	8	48	
Pay for	8	8	8	8	8	12	12		64
<b>Example #5</b>									
Hrs. wkd.	0	8	8	8	8	8	8	48	
Pay for	0	20	8	8	8	8	12		64
<b>Example #6</b>									
Hrs. wkd.	0	4	8	8	8	8	0	36	
Pay for	0	14	8	8	8	8	0		46
<b>Example #7</b>									
Hrs. wkd.	0	4	8	8	8	8	8	44	
Pay for	0	14	8	8	8	8	12		58
<b>Example #8</b>									
Hrs. wkd.	0	9	8	8	0	8	8	41	
Pay for	0	22½	8	8	0	8	8		54½

3. Part-Time Holiday Pay. Part-time employees with six (6) months or more continuous service with the Employer shall receive holiday pay of five (5) hours if they do not work on the holiday. All hours worked on the holiday will be paid in accordance with Article 9.B.1. If the Employer's accounting period consists of less than four (4) weeks, the Employer and Union shall discuss said developments for the purpose of this Article.

C. VOLUNTARY HOLIDAY CLOSING. When the Employer voluntarily closes the store to the public because of any commemoration day or celebration day, or on any holiday other than those set forth in Paragraph A, above, it is agreed that the employees shall suffer no reduction in straight-time weekly earnings on account of such closing.

#### ARTICLE 10 - SICK LEAVE PAY

A. Eligibility. All employees covered by this Agreement who have been continuously employed by the Employer for a period of at least one year shall be entitled to forty-eight (48) hours of sick leave with pay, and on each anniversary date of employment thereafter they shall be entitled to forty-eight (48) hours of paid sick leave (subject to Paragraph 10(F) of this Article). Sick leave shall be payable only for bona fide illness or injury beginning with the first (1<sup>st</sup>) working day's absence. Any working day on which an employee works more than four (4) hours shall not be considered the first (1<sup>st</sup>) day of absence.

B. Pro Rata. Part-time employees, and full-time employees who failed to work the full year, shall be entitled to sick leave on the basis set forth above on a pro rata of total hours worked or paid for during the year preceding the anniversary date as a ratio to two thousand eighty (2,080) hours.

C. California Health Families Act of 2014. The Company will comply with the California Health Families Act of 2014.

D. Supplementary Disability Benefits. Supplementary Disability Benefits will be provided in accordance with provisions of Article 14 hereof. The Company will comply with the California Health Families Act of 2014.

E. Sick Leave Integration. Sick leave pay shall be integrated with the Supplementary Disability Benefits provided under the Trust Fund and California Disability Insurance or California Workers' Compensation Temporary Disability Benefits, or both, so that the sum of the sick leave pay hereunder, and the aforesaid State disability daily benefits which may be payable to an employee shall not exceed one hundred percent (100%) of the employee's daily wage at straight time. If the sick leave pay allowable to an employee hereunder when so combined with any such Supplementary Disability Benefits from the Trust Fund and California Disability Insurance or California Workers' Compensation Temporary Disability Benefits, or both, exceeds one hundred percent (100%) of the employee's daily wage at straight time for any one (1) day, then such sick leave pay for that day shall be reduced accordingly. Any portion of the day's sick leave pay not received by the employee by reason of any such reduction shall be retained as part of the accumulated sick leave pay credit subject to the provisions of Paragraph 10 (F), Unused Sick Leave Pay, of this Article.

F. Sick Pay Defined. For the purpose of this Paragraph sick pay shall mean pay at the employee's regular classification rate for those days and hours which the employee would have worked had the disability not occurred, calculated at straight time.

G. Unused Sick Leave Pay. Commencing with the employee's second (2<sup>nd</sup>) and succeeding anniversary dates of employment, any sick leave not utilized by the employee during the anniversary year shall accumulate to a maximum of two hundred forty (240) hours. Earned sick leave hours in excess of two hundred forty (240) will be paid out annually on the employee's anniversary date. All accumulated sick leave shall be available for use by employees who are unable to work because of illness or injury as specified in Paragraph 10 (A) of this Article. Employees with at least five (5) years of service shall be paid up to forty (40) hours from their sick pay bank upon separation unless discharged for proven or admitted dishonesty. Employees with at least ten (10) years of service shall be paid up to one hundred-twenty (120) hours from their sick pay bank upon separation from the Company, unless discharged for proven or admitted dishonesty. Employees with fifteen (15) years of service shall be paid all accumulated sick leave hours upon separation unless discharged for proven or admitted dishonesty.

For stores that become represented by the Union for the purpose of collective bargaining and recognized by the Company as such and covered by this Agreement after December 31, 2012, in accordance with Article 10(B), employees will be credited with sick leave based on the following formula: forty-eight (48) hours for the employee's anniversary year in which the store is covered by this Agreement minus sick hours taken in the same anniversary year. For example, an employee who used twenty-four hours of sick leave during the anniversary year would have twenty-four (24) hours remaining in sick leave bank.



H. The parties recognize only those paid sick leave benefits provided herein. Where permitted by law, the parties specifically waive the mandated paid sick leave benefits issued by the state of California and by any California city, municipality, or other governmental subunit, including without limitation: Berkeley, Emeryville, Los Angeles, Oakland, and San Francisco.

#### ARTICLE 11 - BEREAVEMENT LEAVE AND/OR PAY

Leave for all employees shall be provided because of death of a member of the employee's immediate family provided, however, that employees shall not be entitled to bereavement pay during their probationary period, but will be given up to three (3) days off without pay. Pay for such leave shall be at the straight-time rate for the hours scheduled for each workday lost because of such absence to a maximum of three (3) calendar days within a period of sixty (60) days beginning with the day of death. The employee shall provide the Company with at least fourteen (14) days' notice of the intended leave, or as much notice as is available under extraordinary circumstances, as determined by the Company, if the employee intends to take the leave more than fourteen (14) days past the date of death. Verification of time required for such paid leave shall be supplied to the Employer by the employee, if requested. Immediate family shall be defined as the employee's spouse, child, mother, father, stepparent, brother, sister, mother-in-law, father-in-law, grandchild, grandparent, stepchild, legal guardian, domestic partner, or other relative living in the employee's home.

#### ARTICLE 12 - JURY DUTY LEAVE AND/OR PAY

When a full-time employee is required to be in any court or courthouse for jury service the full-time employee shall be scheduled for a day shift from the hours of 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. on each day that the full-time employee is scheduled for jury service, and on a Monday-through-Friday workweek and shall receive pay during such workweek for each day on such jury service at the rate of eight (8) hours times his straight-time hourly rate. A full-time employee shall be entitled to receive jury duty benefits after the probationary period of employment.

If such full-time employee in addition works for the Employer on Saturday, the full-time employee shall be paid at the rate of straight time. If the full-time employee works for the Employer on Sunday, the full-time employee shall be paid at the Sunday rate of pay.

If a full-time employee is excused, temporarily or permanently from jury service on any scheduled day, i.e., Monday through Friday, the full-time employee shall immediately report for work to complete the remaining hours of the scheduled work shift. Failure to so report shall disqualify a full-time employee from any pay for jury duty for the day in question as long as the transportation time will permit the full-time employee to return to work prior to one (1) hour before the end of the shift.

When a non-probationary, part-time employee is required to report for jury service and such service deprives the employee of pay they otherwise would have earned during the workweek, they shall be paid lost pay based on his average hours worked in the four (4) weeks immediately preceding the first (1<sup>st</sup>) week of jury service less any compensation received by him for such jury service. Hours paid for jury service will be counted as hours worked toward the minimum weekly hour guarantee. No part-time employee will be required to work on a day in which they have served jury duty.

The Employer may require proof of attendance for jury service. A non-probationary employee must report immediately that they have been called for jury service and shall cooperate with the Employer in securing release from such service as appropriate in the circumstances then existing and with regard to the work performed by the individual concerned.



A non-probationary employee shall be eligible for jury duty pay for a maximum of thirty (30) days only during the life of this Agreement. Jury duty pay shall not be required for Grand Jury service. In the event a non-probationary employee is called for a second (2<sup>nd</sup>) tour of duty during the term of this Agreement, the Employer shall join the non-probationary employee in seeking the non-probationary employee's excuse from service if such service would cause a financial hardship to the non-probationary employee.

### ARTICLE 13 - OTHER LEAVES OF ABSENCE

A. **EMERGENCY LEAVE.** Non-probationary employees may take an automatic emergency leave of absence not to exceed two (2) weeks in the event of certified, serious illness or injury of the employee, or serious illness, injury or death in the employee's immediate family without prior notice; provided that the employee makes every reasonable effort to notify the Store Manager, or in their absence, notice to the Assistant Store Manager within twenty-four (24) hours of the commencement of said leave. Said two (2) weeks automatic emergency leave of absence shall be a part of the time limits set forth in Paragraph B below.

B. **AUTHORIZED LEAVE.** Employees with six (6) months seniority shall be entitled to leaves of absence for the following reasons provided they submit required paperwork to the Company Leave of Absence Department up to the following maximum periods:

1. **Death in Family.** Death in the employee's immediate family or other personal reasons deemed sufficient by the Employer up to a three (3) month period, except when covered by Paragraph 4 below. (Family Care Leave of Absence)

2. **Illness/Injury.** Certified illness, injury, or pregnancy of the employee requiring absence from work up to six (6) months renewable for up to an additional six (6) month period.

3. **Workers' Compensation.** In absences covered by Workers' Compensation, the employee's leave of absence shall be continuous until such time as the employee has been released from his period of temporary disability and is available and qualified for work, provided, however, such leave of absence shall not exceed fifteen (15) months.

4. **Family Care Leave of Absence.** Any employee with at least six (6) months of continuous service, shall be eligible to receive a family care leave of absence without pay. The employee may be eligible for up to four (4) months of leave for the following reasons: the birth of an employee's child; the adoption and placement of a child with the employee; the serious health condition or death of the employee's spouse, domestic partner, child, step-child, parent, step-parent, sister or brother; or of the mother-in-law, father-in-law, grandparent, grandchild, legal guardian or other relative by blood or marriage, provided that such person resides in the same household as the employee; or due to a "qualifying exigency" for military operations arising out of a spouse's, child's or parent's Armed Forces (including the National Guard and Reserves) active duty or call to active duty in support of a "contingency operation", as these terms are defined by the Family Medical Leave Act of 1993 and its amendments ("FMLA"). The employee may be eligible for up to twenty six (26) weeks of leave in a twelve (12) month period to care for a spouse, child, parent or next of kin (nearest blood relative of an individual) who is an Armed Forces member with a serious injury or illness incurred in the line of duty while on active duty that may render the individual medically unfit to perform their military duties, as those terms are defined by the FMLA.

The leave of absence may be taken in one (1) or more periods of at least one (1) payroll week each [not to exceed a total of four (4) months] within a twenty-four (24) month period from the date the leave began, unless otherwise agreed upon by the employee and the Employer. When combined with a maximum pregnancy-related disability leave, a family care leave would be limited to one (1) additional month.

Leaves may not be granted to both parents of a child at the same time [or at a time when one (1) parent is unemployed] or may be limited to a four (4) month period between both parents.

The Employer may deny a request for family care leave if the leave would cause undue hardship to the Employer.

In cases where the leave is foreseeable, employees must provide the Employer with reasonable advance notice. The Employer can require employees to schedule family care leave so as to minimize disruption of its operations, provided the need for family care leave is foreseeable and the health care provider approves the schedule.

Before approving a leave request, the Employer may request a certificate from a health care provider containing the following information:

- a. The date the serious health condition began.
- b. Probable length of the condition.
- c. A time estimate from the health care provider on how long the employee needs to care for the individual. (The Employer may request re-certification upon expiration of the time estimate provided by the health care provider.)
- d. A statement that the serious health condition requires a family member to provide care to the individual.

Family care leaves must be requested in writing by the employee on available Employer forms and approved by the Human Resource Manager prior to the beginning of the leave period.

An approved family care leave of absence and return to active employment permits the employee to retain his employment date and continuous service date. An employee returning from an approved leave of absence will receive the same or comparable position as they had prior to the leave.

C. UNION BUSINESS. An employee in good standing with the Employer, whose acceptance of employment with the Union takes him from his employment with the Employer, shall, upon written request to the Employer by the Union, receive a leave of absence for the period of his service with the Union, of not less than thirty (30) days, nor more than six (6) months. A Union's request for such a leave of absence, and for the return of an employee to work at the conclusion of such a leave, shall each be served upon the involved Employer, in writing, a minimum of four (4) calendar weeks immediately preceding the date of the proposed commencement of the requested leave and the proposed return to work respectively. Not more than one (1) employee shall be given such a leave from the same store during the same period of time, nor shall more than ten (10) employees in the Company be on such a leave at one (1) time. An eligible employee shall not be granted more than one such leave of absence during a rolling eighteen (18) month period. Upon his return, they shall be reemployed at work similar



to that in which they was engaged immediately prior to his leave of absence in accordance with Article 13, Section E. During the period of the authorized leave of absence, the Union shall be obligated to make Trust Fund contributions on behalf of the involved employee. An employee granted a union business leave shall not engage in any union activity involving their Employer.

D. **LEAVES IN WRITING.** All leaves of absence shall be in writing and copies shall be given the Union and the employee.

E. **REINSTATEMENT AFTER A LEAVE.** Upon a return from a leave of absence the employee shall be restored to the job and location the employee left. If this is impractical, the employee shall be restored to as comparable a job as possible, or to a store which is as close to the person's home as geographically possible within the travel limitations. In said event, if the employee desires to work at his original store after reinstatement at another store, they shall submit a written transfer request to the Store Manager of his original store or shall have the right to claim an open position or the position of a probationary employee in the original store.

F. **EMPLOYMENT DURING LEAVE.** If an employee works for remuneration during a leave of absence, without receiving written permission from both the Employer and the Union, the employee shall be considered a quit.

G. **TERMINATION AFTER A LEAVE.** Any employee on a leave of absence who fails to return to work at the expiration of said leave, shall be automatically terminated by the Employer and shall then forfeit all vacation pay and sick leave pay owed under the contract. However, this forfeiture shall not arise if the employee gives written notice, prior to the end of the leave, to the Employer of the employee's decision not to return to work.

#### ARTICLE 14 - MEDICAL AND RETIREMENT BENEFITS.

##### SECTION I - TRUST FUNDS

The provisions of this Section I shall apply only to those stores whose employees were represented by the Union for purposes of collective bargaining and recognized by the Company as such, either as the result of an NLRB certification or a written grant of recognition, as of December 31, 2012, and were covered by this Agreement as of December 31, 2012. To eliminate any doubt as to the identity of such stores, they are all listed on Appendix F attached to this Agreement and incorporated herein.

The provisions of this Section I shall not apply to employees in any other stores that hereafter become represented by the Union for purposes of collective bargaining and recognized by the Company as such, and covered by this Agreement. All employees in any other stores that hereafter become represented by the Union for purposes of collective bargaining and recognized by the Company as such, and covered by this Agreement, shall be eligible only for the benefits described in Section II of this Article. Under no circumstances shall any of the provisions of this Section I apply to such newly covered employees, including without limitation the provisions of subsection C (RESOLUTION OF DIFFERENCES) and subsection D(2) (Audits/Collections).

A. BENEFIT FUND

1. The existing Health and Welfare Trust Fund known as the Southern California Drug Benefit Fund (hereinafter "Benefit Fund") shall be continued, as modified herein.

2. Benefits and Eligibility. The Trustees are instructed to continue the benefits and eligibility rules in effect as of July 1, 2017, for the duration of this Agreement.

The Trustees may maintain other plan options for other employers provided that the employers whose employees participate in such plans contribute at the rate established by the Trustees that will fund that plan and maintain the reserve required by Paragraph 3 below.

Retirees and their dependents, whether retired before or after August 8, 2004, are not vested in the Benefits provided by the Benefit Fund. There is no obligation on the Employer to continue to contribute or on the Trust Fund to continue to provide retiree benefits after the expiration of this Agreement unless a successor agreement provides for continuation of such coverage.

3. Contributions and Reserves.

a. Maintenance of Benefits Contributions. As of July 1, 2017, the Employer shall contribute \$5.7740 per hour for the Platinum Plan and \$4.3305 per hour for the Gold Plan. The Trustees of the Benefit Fund shall adjust these Employer contribution rates as necessary to maintain throughout the duration of this Agreement the benefits and eligibility rules as in effect on July 1, 2017, and maintain the Reserves required in Paragraph 3 b.

CVS shall increase contributions to the Employers Benefit Fund by three and a half percent (3.5%) in year one (1) (on July 2021 hours), by four percent (4%) in year two (2) beginning with July hours payable in August 2022, and by up to four percent (4%) in year three (3) beginning with July hours payable in August 2023.

Effective 1/1/22 – All employee premiums will increase by \$1.00 / week.

b. Reserves. If the projected reserves exceed three (3) months during the last year of the contract, the trustees shall take action to temporarily reduce contributions (so as to achieve the three (3) month reserve target at the end of the contract). Notwithstanding any other provision of this agreement, the contribution for the last month of the contract shall be equal to no less than the current cost of the plan.

c. Cost Containment. The Benefit Fund Trustees are directed to explore all reasonable methods of cost containment to minimize the Employer contribution obligations under the contract. In the event Medicare becomes secondary in the application of the retiree benefit plan, the Trustees will take immediate and remedial action to protect the financial integrity of the Plan.

4. Other Benefit Plans. It is understood that the Employer retains any existing rights which they may have, in his exclusive discretion, to alter, amend, cancel, or terminate any existing employee benefit plan or plans or part thereof.



5. Excluded Employees. Employees excluded from the bargaining unit who work for an Employer signatory to this Agreement may participate in any of the foregoing benefits under rules and regulations established by the Trustees. The contributions required for such benefits shall be determined by the Trustees.

6. National Health and Welfare Coverage. In the event that there is passage of National Health and Welfare legislation, the parties agree to reopen the agreement for negotiations, the sole purpose of which shall be to negotiate language instituting prevention of duplicate costs for both the Employer and the employees involved.

7. Amendments. The Trustees are directed to amend the Trust Agreement to be consistent with the provisions of this Agreement. The Trustees shall have the discretion in acting on claims for benefits under the plan subject to review only in accordance with the arbitrary and capricious standard.

## B. PENSION FUND.

1. Trust Fund and Pension Plan. The Southern California UFCW and Drug Employers Pension Fund (hereinafter "Pension Fund") shall be continued for the life of this Agreement. Contributions shall be made to the Pension Fund as set forth below and shall be for the sole purpose of providing pensions for eligible employees as defined in the Pension Plan employed in stores under contract as of December 31, 2012.

2. Reciprocity. The Trustees are authorized to enter into reciprocal agreements with the Trustees of the other Retail Clerks Unions or UFCW and Retail Employer trust funds to provide for the transfer or preservation of credited service of employees working under the coverage of the Pension Fund and any such other trust.

### 3. Contributions.

a. The contributions credited for a given fiscal year shall be for hours worked in the twelve month period beginning August and ending July of the following year. For example, contributions for the 2008 fiscal year shall be contributions due for work months August 2008 through July 2009.

b. For the period from July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2017, the Employer shall contribute the base contribution rate of forty-eight and one-half cents (\$0.485) per hour. Additional contributions shall be paid as provided below in B.3.d.

c. To comply with the Pension Protection Act (PPA), the Pension Plan actuary shall provide a certification to the Trustees on an annual basis within ninety (90) days of the start of each plan year, starting in 2008, stating whether or not the Pension Plan is in endangered status or critical status for the plan year. If the certification in any given year shows the Pension Plan to be either in endangered or critical status for the plan year the Trustees shall develop a Funding Improvement or Rehabilitation Plan, as required by PPA.

d. On March 30, 2012, the Pension Plan was certified by its actuary to be in critical status for the plan year beginning January 1, 2012. In advance of the formal adoption of a Rehabilitation Plan, the Trustees have approved the terms of a default schedule and two alternative schedules that they have agreed to include in the Rehabilitation Plan. The schedules include revised benefit structures,

revised contribution structures, or both. One of these schedules, Alternative Schedule #2, provides for no changes to pension benefits, continuation of the current employer contribution rate of forty-eight and one-half cents (\$0.485) per hour, additional Employer contributions of 3.9¢ (\$0.039) per hour effective January 1, 2013 (a total contribution of 52.4¢ (\$.524) per hour), and additional contributions of 3.9¢ (\$0.039) per hour effective January 1 of each subsequent year during the Rehabilitation Period.

The Employer and the Union hereby adopt Alternative Schedule #2. It is acknowledged and agreed that Alternative Schedule #2 requires increases to the Employer's pension contribution rate on January 1<sup>st</sup> of each and every year of the Agreement in the amount of 3.9¢ (\$0.039) per hour, and that it does not provide for changes to the plan of benefits. Pursuant to Alternative Schedule #2 the Employer will contribute the following amounts, which amounts include the base contribution rate of forty-eight and one-half cents (\$0.485) per hour, for hours for which contributions are required as of each respective Effective Date:

e.) Employers shall not pay any amount in excess of the maximum deductible amount for the year in which contributions are paid by the Employer.

f.) As Alternative Schedule #2 applies to Rite Aid, Inc. and CVS Pharmacy, the Trustees are directed to include only the Default Schedule and Alternative Schedule #2, in the Rehabilitation Plan and are directed to require all other Employers to accept Alternative Schedule #2 as a condition of participation in the Pension Fund. Alternative Schedule #2 may be designated the "Preferred Schedule."

g.) Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Employer and Union agree to be bound by any changes in Employer contribution rates and/or benefit changes included in updates to the Preferred Schedule of the Rehabilitation Plan adopted by the Board of Trustees during the term of this Agreement.

4. Other Pension Plan. It is understood that the Employer retains any existing rights which they may have, in his exclusive discretion to alter, amend, cancel, or terminate any existing Employer pension or profit sharing plan or plans or part thereof.

5. Laws and Regulations. The Trust Agreement and the benefits to be provided under the Pension Plan referred to above and all acts pursuant to this Agreement, the Trust Agreement and the Pension Plan shall conform in all respects to the requirements of the Treasury Department, Internal Revenue Service, and to any other applicable state or federal laws and regulations. If any part of the Pension Plan is determined by a court of competent jurisdiction or an appropriate regulatory agency not to be in accord with the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 or the regulations pertaining to such Act or any amendments thereto, the Trustees are authorized to modify the Pension Plan to conform with such Act or regulations.

6. Amending Agreement. The Trustees are directed to amend the Trust Agreement to be consistent with the provisions of this Agreement. The Trustees shall have discretion in acting on claims for benefits under the plan subject to review only in accordance with the arbitrary and capricious standard.

7. Supplemental Benefits. The Trustees are to continue the current one hundred dollar (\$100) bonus program as a general obligation of the Pension Trust for the term of the Agreement.



C. **RESOLUTION OF DIFFERENCES.** Differences between the Employer and the Union as to the interpretation or application of the provisions of the Trust Agreement providing for the establishment and maintenance of the Southern California Drug Benefit Fund and the Declaration of Trust providing for establishment and maintenance of the Southern California UFCW and Drug Employers Pension Fund, relating to employee benefits, shall not be subject to the grievance or arbitration procedure established in this Agreement or any Collective Bargaining Agreement. All such differences shall be resolved in the manner specified in the applicable Trust Agreement.

D. **PAYMENT OF CONTRIBUTIONS.**

1. **Payments.** Payment of contributions by the Employer required to be made to the trusts established under this Article 14 shall be made on or before the twentieth (20<sup>th</sup>) day of each month based upon all straight-time hours worked or paid for not to exceed forty (40) hours in any one (1) week during the preceding month by each employee covered by this Agreement. Such payments shall be accompanied by a list of names of the employees for whom such contribution is made, showing the number of hours worked or paid for as set forth above by each employee during the preceding month. Time during vacation periods (including vacation pay upon termination), sick leave, jury duty, bereavement leave and holiday absences which is paid for as provided for under this Agreement and all work performed on Sundays and holidays, exclusive of daily or weekly overtime, shall be considered as time worked, to which the provisions of this Article shall apply.

No fringe contributions shall be made on behalf of Christmas extra employees. However, should they be employed on or after January 16, the Trust Fund shall credit them with all hours worked for health and welfare purposes retroactive to the date of hire as a Christmas extra, but no retroactive contribution shall be required from the Employer.

Contributions shall not be made for vacation payments made on the basis of industry experience as set forth in Article 8-C and unused sick leave paid in accordance with Article 10-F. The Employer, by payments of the amounts provided for in this Article, shall be relieved of any further liability and shall not be required to make any further contributions to the cost of the benefits, either in connection with the administration of the plans or otherwise. The last payment due under this Agreement shall be made on or before the twentieth (20<sup>th</sup>) day of July 2021 for the month of June 2021 except as may be required under Paragraph A-3-b, above.

2. **Audits/Collections.** The Trustees are hereby authorized to institute periodic audits of Employer's contributions to ascertain whether such contributions have been and are being made, fully and accurately.

If any such audit should disclose either an under-reporting or non-reporting of required contributions, the Trustees, at their sole discretion, may assess all or a portion of the audit expenses against such Employer, which the Employer hereby agrees to pay. The Trustees may add reasonable interest charges to any unpaid contributions and such interest charges shall also be paid by the Employer.

If it should become necessary to institute legal action against a contributing Employer to collect unpaid contributions, the Trustees, in their sole discretion, may assess all or a portion of attorneys' fees and court costs against the Employer, in addition to any audit expenses. The Employer hereby agrees to pay such attorneys' fees and court costs. The Trustees are authorized and directed to establish a method to encourage regular and prompt payment by instituting the imposition of liquidated damages to those Employers who are delinquent in their payments.

The Employer agrees to make all pertinent books and payroll records available to the Trustees, or their agents, for their inspection in the conduct of any audit performed pursuant to this Article.

E. **BUSINESS EXPENSES.** It is understood that the provisions of this Article are being entered into upon the condition that the payments made by the Employer hereunder shall be deductible as business expenses under the Internal Revenue Code as it presently exists or as it may be amended subsequent to the date of this Agreement and under any similar applicable state revenue or tax laws.

F. **PENSION AND BENEFIT FUND APPOINTMENTS.**

1. Designation of Trustees.

a. Employer Trustees. For the Pension and Benefit Fund, the number of Employer Trustees shall be four (4), Kaiser-Permanente Foundation, CVS Pharmacy, Thrifty PayLess Inc. d/b/a Rite Aid, and Vons, a Safeway Company, each entitled to appoint a Trustee and his successors.

b. Union Trustees. For the Pension and Benefit Fund, the number of Union Trustees shall be six (6), with Locals 135, 324, 770, 1167, 1428, and 1442, each entitled to appoint a Trustee and his successors.

c. The Union Trustees and Employer Trustees shall have equal voting power.

G. **ACCEPTANCE OF TRUSTS.**

1. The Employer and the Union hereby accept the terms of the existing Health and Welfare Trust, and the Pension Trust Agreements. By this acceptance, the Employer agrees to and shall become a party to both of said Trusts with the same force and effect as though the Employer had executed each original Declaration of Trust.

2. Any amendments that from time to time may be made thereto, including the creation of supplementary trusts to handle any of the funds referred to in this Agreement, shall be binding upon the Employer.

3. The Employer hereby specifically ratifies the appointment of Trustees made by the Employers as set forth in Section F above, designates and appoints them or their successors, as his

Trustees, and authorizes them to act in such capacity. Successor Trustees shall be appointed by the same parties as their predecessors.

SECTION II - COMPANY MEDICAL AND RETIREMENT BENEFITS

The provisions of this Section II shall apply to those stores whose employees were not represented by the Union for purposes of collective bargaining and recognized by the Company as such, either as the result of an NLRB certification or a written grant of recognition, and covered by this Agreement, as of December 31, 2012. To eliminate any doubt as to the identity of such stores, they are identified on Appendix E attached to this Agreement and incorporated herein.



A. **COMPANY MEDICAL BENEFITS.** Eligible full-time employees, as defined in the Company plan, will have the opportunity to participate in the Company insurance plans in the following areas: Medical Insurance, Dental Insurance, and provided with Flexible Spending Accounts for Medical and Dental in accordance with the terms of the Employer’s benefit plan as it shall from time-to-time provide.

Part-time employees, as defined in the Company plan, are eligible for part-time health benefits in accordance with the terms of the Employer’s benefit plan as it shall from time-to-time provide.

Part-time employees who convert to full-time status will qualify for full-time benefits the 1<sup>st</sup> of the month after ninety (90) days after assignment to a full-time position.

**Company Medical Plan Bonus**

	Individual	Individual +Spouse	Individual +Child	Family
Year 1	\$42	\$42	\$42	\$42
Year 2	\$42	\$42	\$55	\$55
Year 3	\$45	\$45	\$65	\$65

Subject to the terms of this Section II and only during the 2021-2024 term of the Retail Drug Agreement, therefore expiring on June 30, 2024, the Company agrees it will cap annual union-represented employee premium increases for Aetna plans at ten percent (10%) over the prior coverage year. In the event the Aetna plans increases to more than eight percent (8%) in year three (3), the Medical Plan Bonus shall increase to fifty dollars (\$50) for the individual and individual plus spouse coverage plans in that third (3<sup>rd</sup>) year.

B. **COMPANY RETIREMENT BENEFITS.** Bargaining unit employees will be eligible to receive 401(K) benefits in accordance with the terms of the Employer’s plan, as it shall from time-to-time provide.

C. The Company shall have the right to make prospective changes to any of the benefits described in Section II. The Company shall give written notice to the Union of any such changes. Such changes will not be grievable or otherwise litigable; provided, that the Union shall have the right to grieve if the Company makes a change to a benefit described in this Section II but fails to make the same change for similarly situated non-bargaining unit employees in its California retail stores.

**SECTION III - MOVING BETWEEN STORES**

A. For an employee moving from a store covered by Section I of Article 14 to a store covered by Section II of Article 14:

1. Immediately upon the employee leaving the Section I store, the Company shall have no obligation to make any further contributions on behalf of the employee pursuant to Section I.

2. Immediately upon the employee leaving the Section I store, the employee shall have no further rights to benefits pursuant to Section I, except for vested pension benefits and except as may be required by COBRA or any other applicable federal or state health benefit law.

3. To the extent the employee is otherwise eligible for Section II benefits, the Company will waive any applicable waiting periods so that the employee has Section II benefits immediately upon working at the Section II store.

B. For an employee moving from a store covered by Section II of Article 14 to a store covered by Section I of Article 14:

1. The Company's obligation to make Section I contributions and the employee's right to Section I benefits shall be the same as for a new employee of the store.

2. To the extent there is a waiting period for Section I medical benefits, and if the employee was participating in the Section II medical benefits plan at the prior store, the employee will continue to participate in the Section II medical benefits plan and the Company will continue to pay its share of the premium for such Section II medical benefits for the duration of the Section I waiting period.

#### ARTICLE 15 - GENERAL CONDITIONS

A. **NONDISCRIMINATION.**

The Employer and the Union agree not to discriminate against any employee on the basis of their age, gender, gender identity or expression, marital status, sexual orientation, race, color, religion, national origin, veteran status, military status, disability, genetics or any other characteristic protected by federal, state or local law.

B. **UNIFORMS/NAME TAGS.** The Employer shall furnish all required uniforms and, except where the garment is of a drip-dry material, shall pay for the laundering and upkeep of same. The Union members shall have the right to wear a Union button. Dress will be in accordance with reasonable and appropriate standards of attire (no blue jeans) for retail employees.

Name tags shall not include the last names but may include the initial of the last name of the employee.

C. **RESTROOMS.** Restroom facilities shall comply with requirements under applicable regulations or laws.

D. **WEIGHT LIMIT.** No employee shall at any time be permitted or required to lift any item weighing more than the limit allowed by law.

E. **POLYGRAPH TEST.** No employee or applicant for employment covered by this Agreement shall be requested or required by any representative of the Employer to be the subject of a Polygraph (lie detector) test for any reason whatsoever. The Employer agrees to refrain from any direct or indirect action that violates this understanding.

F. **SUBSTANCE ABUSE REHABILITATION.** The Union and the Employer have established a Substance Abuse Rehabilitation Program set forth in Appendix E of this Agreement.

G. **SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS.** This Agreement shall be binding upon the successors and assigns of the parties hereto. Should a bona fide sale or transfer of any store occur during the term of this Agreement, the new owner or transferee shall be notified of the existence of this Agreement and



the terms and provisions of such Agreement and advised that the new owner or transferee be required to be bound by all of its terms and provisions. Further, such new owner or transferee shall execute a copy of this Agreement so that a record of such transfer may be maintained in the files of the parties.

All obligations of the selling owner pursuant to this Agreement up to the date of sale shall be the responsibility of the selling owner. All obligations required to be performed after the date of sale will be the obligation of new owner and/or transferee.

H. **SEPARABILITY CLAUSE.** The provisions of this Agreement are deemed to be separable to the extent that if and when a court of last resort adjudges any provisions of this Agreement in its application between the Union and the undersigned Employer to be in conflict with any law, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining provisions of this Agreement, but such remaining provisions shall continue in full force and effect, provided further, that in the event any provision or provisions are so declared to be in conflict with a law, both parties shall meet immediately for the purpose of renegotiation and agreement on provision or provisions so invalidated.

I. **TITLES.** The titles and subtitles used in this Agreement are for the sole purpose of identification and shall have no bearing on the construction or meaning of the paragraphs to which they refer.

J. **AMENDMENTS/ADDITIONS/WAIVERS.** This Agreement is subject to amendment, alteration or addition only by a subsequent written agreement between and executed by the Employer and the Union. The waiver of any breach, term or condition of this Agreement by either party shall not constitute a precedent in the future enforcement of any such term or condition.

K. **EFFECTIVE DATES.** Wages for hours worked, holidays, and vacations only shall be effective May 27, 2012. Except where an express effective date is otherwise stated in this Agreement with regard to a particular provision, changes in other economic and all operational terms and conditions shall be effective not later than the date of execution of this Agreement.

L. **CERTIFICATION TO WORK** In the event an employee is listed on a Federal or State excluded parties list, that employee will be removed from the schedule until such time as they are removed from such list. If, after ninety (90) days, they remain on the excluded parties list, their employment will be terminated. In the event that an employee requires a certification or license in order to work, and that certification or license is expired or suspended, that employee will be removed from the schedule until such time that they are eligible to work. If, after ninety (90) days, they are not eligible to work, their employment will be terminated. On a regular basis, the Company will contract to have the appropriate databases reviewed to determine work eligibility verified for all employees.

#### M. **SAFETY COMMITTEE**

Section 1. The Employer agrees that it will provide a safe and healthy workplace and agrees to correct any unsafe condition or safety or health hazards as soon as possible. This includes the Employer's commitment to comply with all federal, state and local laws, and regulations. The Employer agrees to promptly investigate all hazards, unsafe conditions and accidents brought to its attention and to promptly remedy all hazards and unsafe conditions its investigation reveals. The Employer will furnish, at its expense, all safety and protective equipment required or advisable for the protection of employees.

Section 2. The Employer shall work with each Local Union to establish a Joint Labor Management Committee (JLMC) to discuss issues of Health and Safety at the stores. The Committee shall include one (1) bargaining unit representative per fifteen (15) stores. Committee members shall be paid by the employer at their straight-time rate for no more than three (3) hours of time spent per quarter at quarterly JLMC meetings and other work related to their function as a committee member. The Local Union and Company shall designate representatives to their respective JLMC. If a matter requires more immediate attention than a quarterly meeting, the JLMC may convene by mutually convenient means to hold a meeting.

Section 3. In the event an employee believes in good faith they have encountered an unsafe situation, the employee should first contact their manager, supervisor, or the person in charge of their store to make them aware of the situation. If the employee does not feel comfortable reporting to the manager, supervisor, or person in charge of their store, the employee should call the Safety Hotline at 1-888-464-2960. Thereafter, if the employee continues to have a good faith concern after a reasonable time from reporting, the employee should address their concern with the shop steward or other union designated point of contact.

N. SAFETY TRAINING. CVS will provide annual safety training. These training sessions may be accomplished in person or through modules. If they are done through modules, CVS will make a reasonable effort to ensure the employee can be relieved of all other duties while completing the safety training. All training must be completed on paid time.

#### ARTICLE 16 - GRIEVANCE, MEDIATION OR ARBITRATION

A. DISPUTES OR QUESTIONS. Any and all matters of controversy, dispute or disagreement of any kind or character existing between the parties arising out of or in any way involving the interpretation and/or application of the terms of this Agreement shall be settled and resolved by the procedures and in the manner as set forth herein.

B. GRIEVANCE FILING/STEPS.

1. Discharge/Layoff. A discharged or laid off employee has ten (10) days from the date of discharge or layoff, excluding Saturday, Sunday and holidays, within which to file written protest with the Union (with notice to the Employer). Said discharge shall then be subject to this Article. If no protest is filed within said ten (10) day period, or within ten (10) days of the notice specified in Article 4-C-3, all rights possessed by said employee or the Union to protest the discharge or layoff are waived.

2. Wage Discrepancy. If a wage discrepancy is claimed to exist, the representative of the Union shall first attempt to settle it with the representative designated by the Employer.

Failing settlement at this level, the Union shall in writing notify the Employer of the alleged discrepancy and the names of the employees involved, and the period of time that such discrepancy is claimed to cover. Upon receipt of such written notice, the Employer agrees to promptly furnish the representative of the Union wage data pertaining to the alleged wage discrepancy. If the parties fail to settle such wage discrepancy, said discrepancy shall be subject to the provisions of this Article.



3. Reporting Monetary Discrepancies. A claim for unpaid wages, holidays, vacation, jury duty, sick leave, bereavement pay, or night, Sunday, or for any other direct compensation, must be filed with the Union by the employee, promptly upon discovery. The Union shall, thereafter, if it believes such claim has validity, promptly notify the Employer. A claim not filed by the employee with the Union within ten (10) days after discovery and not filed by the Union with the Employer within an additional ten (10) days, shall be deemed null and void. (The Union has twenty (20) days from the employee's date of discovery to file notice with the Employer.) Notwithstanding the foregoing, no wage or other direct compensation claim not involving interpretation of the contract can cause such Employer to pay such claim or any portion thereof retroactively for a period of more than twelve (12) months immediately prior to the date of the Employer's receipt of notice from the Union of the claim, excluding Workweek Guarantee Grievances in Article 6.D.5. In any event, the Employer's obligation to compensate an employee for unpaid time worked under Article 7-G, shall not be limited in any way by the foregoing, except for the twelve (12) month limitation and the Workweek Guarantee Grievances provision referenced in Article 6.D.5.

4. Grievance Steps.

Step 1 - Store Level. Employees, either directly or with their Union representative, shall attempt to settle or resolve any dispute with their Store Manager or supervisor within ten (10) days after discovery of the event giving rise to the grievance. In the event the matter or dispute is not settled or resolved, the employee shall have ten (10) days in which to file a grievance with the Union with a notice to the Employer.

Step 2 - District Level. Upon receipt of the Union's grievance, as detailed in Step 1, either party may request a formal grievance meeting. Upon receipt of written notice from either party, representatives of the Employer and representatives of the Union shall try to meet within one (1) calendar week in order to attempt to settle or resolve the matter. Any request for a formal grievance meeting must be submitted within ten (10) days after receipt of the employee's written protest.

Step 3 - Corporate Level. If the grievance is not satisfactorily adjusted in Step 2, or if no decision is reached within ten (10) days of the meeting, the union may then present the grievance to the Area HR Director. The grievance will be discussed by a representative or representatives of the Union, and a representative or representatives of the employer within ten (10) days in an attempt to resolve the grievance. The decision of the Employer will be then stated in writing and sent to the Union fourteen (14) days of the discussion date.

Step 4 - Arbitration. Any matter not settled or resolved in Step 3 may be submitted to arbitration by either party to this Agreement, i.e., the Employer or the Union, provided that written demand for arbitration must be made within ninety (90) days from the date of filing of the grievance but not prior to the Step 2 grievance meeting. Failure to comply within the time limits contained in this Paragraph and/or in Steps 1 and 2 shall render the grievance null and void. Any rights possessed by either the Union or the employee with respect to arbitration shall be irrevocably waived. The Employer and the Union agree that with respect to arbitration procedure, past practices will be limited to only those in effect since June 18, 2006, except those pertaining to Article 14.

Upon the receipt of the written demand for arbitration, the parties shall endeavor to select an impartial arbitrator. However, if the parties fail to agree upon an arbitrator who is willing and able to serve within fourteen (14) calendar days after service of the demand for arbitration, the party demanding arbitration, within seven (7) calendar days thereafter, shall submit the demand for arbitration

to the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service to request a list of arbitrators. Upon receipt of this list, an authorized representative of the Union shall strike a name from the panel. Thereafter, the parties shall alternately strike one name each until only one name remains. The person whose name remains shall be the selected arbitrator. The arbitrator shall be requested to provide a minimum of five (5) available dates in five (5) separate calendar weeks (excluding Saturdays and Sundays) over a period not to exceed ninety (90) days from the arbitrator's selection date. If the Union and Employer fail to mutually agree upon an available arbitration date provided by the arbitrator, the arbitrator shall select a binding arbitration date and advise the parties of said date. The arbitration date selected by the parties or mandated by the arbitrator shall not be changed unless mutually agreed upon by the Union and Employer's Labor Relations representative.

The hearing shall be held within ninety (90) days after the arbitrator is selected, contingent upon the arbitrator's availability, with the further understanding that the arbitrator's award will be issued no later than forty-five (45) days after the hearing is completed.

C. **TIME PERIODS.** The time periods set forth above may only be extended by mutual written agreement between the parties.

D. **MEDIATION.**

1. Within fifteen (15) calendar days following the Step 2 grievance meeting, either party may request that the dispute be submitted to mediation. Mediation shall be voluntary by both the Employer and the Union and any objections to mediation must be made in writing within seven (7) calendar days following receipt of the above request.

2. The adjustment and arbitration provisions shall be stayed for not more than eighty (80) days pending mediation.

3. Mediation shall take place on the first (1<sup>st</sup>) Tuesday after the first (1<sup>st</sup>) Monday of every odd-numbered month (January, March, etc.). Subsequent days for mediation will be scheduled, if necessary.

4. The mediator shall be provided by FMCS.

In September of each year, the parties will meet and mutually agree upon a new list of mediators, which may include either or both of the individuals currently on the panel.

5. The procedures set forth in Appendix B attached to this Agreement shall be the rules for the parties and the mediator.

6. All costs of the mediator shall be borne equally by both the Employer and the Union.

7. If the parties agree to be bound by the mediator's recommendation, the decision shall be codified and signed by the Employer and the Union.

8. Any matter not resolved pursuant to this provision may be submitted to arbitration within fifteen (15) days following the mediation. Failure to adhere to the fifteen (15) day time limit will waive any right to arbitration.



**E. ARBITRATOR'S AUTHORITY.**

1. The arbitrator shall determine the arbitrability of any dispute, should it arise.

2. The arbitrator shall not have the power to alter, change or modify this Agreement in any respect. The rights of the parties to make any changes, modifications or amendments to this Agreement shall be reserved to themselves only, and shall not be subject to the arbitrator's authority. Without in any way limiting the generality of the foregoing, no arbitrator shall have the authority to:

a. alter or expand the provisions and limitations described in Article 2 (A), including without limitation by applying the Agreement to more or different employees, workplaces or geographic areas than specifically delineated therein; or

b. alter or expand the provisions and limitations described in Article 14, including without limitation by applying the terms of Article 14, Section I (TRUST FUNDS) to employees other than those at stores whose employees were represented by the Union for purposes of collective bargaining and recognized by the Company as such, either as the result of an NLRB certification or a written grant of recognition, as of December 31, 2012, and covered by this Agreement as of December 31, 2012, as more specifically identified on Appendix F attached to this Agreement and incorporated herein.

Any such purported action by an arbitrator shall be void *ab initio* and immediately vacated by a court of competent jurisdiction upon application by either party.

3. With the exception of arbitrations involving discipline, the expenses of the arbitrator shall be borne equally by both the Employer and the Union. All jointly incurred expenses (i.e., transcripts, reporters' costs, arbitrator's fees, room rental) of arbitrations involving discipline shall be borne by the loser. Unless the grievance which has been submitted to the arbitrator is totally sustained or denied, it shall be deemed split and the jointly incurred expenses shall be borne equally between the Employer and the Union.

4. The arbitrator's decision shall be final and binding on all parties hereto.

**F. NO STRIKE/NO LOCKOUT.** Matters subject to the procedures of this Article shall be settled and resolved in the manner provided herein. During the term of this Agreement, there shall be no cessation or stoppage of work, lockout, picketing or boycotts, except that this limitation shall not be binding upon either party hereto, if the other party refuses to perform any obligation under this Article or refuses or fails to abide by, accept or perform a decision or award of an arbitrator, and fails to appeal to a court of competent jurisdiction.

**G. INDIVIDUAL WAIVERS.** The Employer may approach individual employees within ninety (90) days of hire to propose an agreement between the Employer and the employee regarding submitting individual legal claims not covered by this CBA to binding private arbitration rather than court. Such an agreement to arbitrate individual legal claims, if made, would not affect the employees' rights under the CBA. During the month of June each year, employees will have the opportunity to opt-in or opt-out of such agreement.

**ARTICLE 17 - EXPIRATION AND RENEWAL**

This Agreement shall be in effect from July 1, 2021 to and including June 30, 2024, and shall continue from year to year thereafter unless either party shall give written notice to the other at least sixty (60) days prior to the expiration date of June 30, 2024 or at least sixty (60) days prior to any subsequent June 30 of any succeeding year of its desire to alter, amend, or terminate this Agreement.

Signed this 10<sup>th</sup> day of MARCH, 2022.

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APPENDIX A - WAGES

Minimum Rates:

Starting Rates	Current	After Ratification	January 2022	January 2023	January 2024
Associate (\$1.20 above minimum wage)	\$14.20	\$14.20	\$15.20	Sum a/b min wage	Sum a/b min wage
Associate RX (\$1.55 above minimum wage)	\$14.55	\$14.55	\$15.55	Sum a/b min wage	Sum a/b min wage
Beauty Advisor (\$1.20 above minimum wage)	\$15.20	\$15.20	\$16.20	Sum a/b min wage	Sum a/b min wage
Shift Supervisor, Ymas Supervisor (\$1.20 above minimum wage)	\$15.20	\$15.20	\$16.20	Sum a/b min wage	Sum a/b min wage
Shift Supervisor RX (\$1.20 above minimum wage)	\$15.20	\$15.20	\$16.20	Sum a/b min wage	Sum a/b min wage
Pharmacy Tech (\$1.40 above minimum wage)	\$15.20	\$15.40	\$16.40	Sum a/b min wage	Sum a/b min wage
Inventory Specialist (\$1.65 above minimum wage)		\$15.65	\$16.65	Sum a/b min wage	Sum a/b min wage
Lead Tech, (\$2.15 above minimum wage)	\$15.95	\$16.15	\$17.15	Sum a/b min wage	Sum a/b min wage

**Position Premiums:** Upon promotion to a higher classification, employees will either move to the minimum rate for that position or be given the following promotional premiums whichever is greater:

Associate Rx	\$1.35
Beauty Advisor	\$1.00
Shift Supervisor / Y mas Supervisor, Shift Supervisor Rx	\$1.00
Pharmacy Tech,	\$1.20
Inventory Specialist (Pharmacy Tech. +\$.25)	\$1.45
Lead Technician (Pharmacy Tech + \$.75)	\$1.95
Six (6) month increase - (applicable only to those employees hired in at the minimum rate)	\$1.25

Upon ratification, employees who received a lower position premium upon promotion than those listed here will be increased by the difference unless they have already reached the top rate.

Premium for Associate Rx and Shift Supervisor Rx: \$1.00 total premium for each hour worked in pharmacy.

To be clear, \$.65 increase over existing premium for Associate Rx and \$1.00 premium for Supervisor Rx for all hours worked in pharmacy.

Wage Adjustments:

Employees who are on the payroll on the dates of increase shall receive the following wage increases.

Annual Increases	7/4/2021	7/3/2022	7/2/2023
Associate	\$ .40	\$ .40	\$ .40
Associate Rx	\$ .40	\$ .40	\$ .40
Associate (Top Rate)	\$ .60	\$ .60	\$ .50
Shift Supervisor, Beauty Advisor, Y Mas Supervisor	\$ .60	\$ .60	\$ .55
Shift Supervisor RX	\$ .60	\$ .60	\$ .55
Pharmacy Tech, Inventory Specialist, Lead Tech	\$ .75	\$ .80	\$ .70

**\* All increases are after the minimum wage adjustments**

**Top Rates**

Top Rates	Current	7/4/2021	7/3/2022	7/2/2023
<b>Store Associate</b> (hired prior to 8/8/04)*	\$18.05	\$18.65	\$19.25	\$19.75
<b>Store Associate</b> (after 6 years)	\$17.05	\$17.65	\$18.25	\$18.75
<b>Associate Rx</b> (hired prior to 8/8/04)*	\$18.40	\$19.00	\$19.60	\$20.10
<b>Associate Rx</b> (after 6 years)	\$17.40	\$18.00	\$18.60	\$19.10
<b>Shift Supervisor, Shift Supervisor Rx, Beauty Advisor, Y Mas</b> (after 6 years)	\$20.45	\$21.05	\$21.65	\$22.20
<b>Pharmacy Tech</b> (after 5 years as a Tech)	\$22.65	\$23.40	\$24.20	\$24.90
<b>Inventory Specialist</b> (after 5 years)	\$22.65	\$23.65	\$24.45	\$25.15
<b>Lead Tech</b> (after 5 years)	\$23.40	\$24.15	\$24.95	\$25.65

\*Effective July 4, 2021, this date will change to 8/8/07

\*Effective July 3, 2022, this date will change to 8/8/09

\*Effective July 2, 2023, this date will change to 8/8/11



All Intern Pharmacists/Undergraduate Interns will be paid the following amounts:

	7/4/2021
Pharmacy Intern 3 <sup>rd</sup> Year	\$19.00
Pharmacy Intern 4 <sup>th</sup> Year	\$20.00
Pharmacy Intern 5 <sup>th</sup> Year	\$21.00
Pharmacy Intern 6 <sup>th</sup> Year	\$22.00
Pharmacy Graduate	\$27.00

No employee now receiving an hourly wage as shown by the books of the Employer in excess of the minimum rates applicable as herein set forth, shall suffer any reduction in compensation by virtue of the minimum wage provision set forth provided nothing contained herein shall prevent the payment of greater compensation than the minimum herein specified.

All employees, including over scale will receive first year increase.

For the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> year of contract employees making a rate above top rate for their position, a *lump sum* payment equal to the amount of the agreed upon across the board increase times the hours paid during the past quarter will be made on a quarterly basis (August thru October, November thru January, February thru April, & May thru July). These quarterly payments will be paid in the first pay period of the month following the quarters defined above.

Any employee who received less than a full across the board increase to bring them to the top rate for their position will receive a *lump sum* payment for the difference between the top rate for their position and the amount that they received in the same manner as described above.

If an employee works in a municipality with a higher minimum wage and then transfers involuntarily to a store in another municipality, they shall continue to earn the higher wage.

Effective January 1, 2019, Techs who transfer into the Pharmacy from a Front Store position and have at least six (6) years of total service shall be at least equal to the Top Clerk rate.

## APPENDIX B - MEDIATION PROCEDURE

The mediation procedure is entirely informal in nature. The relevant facts should be elicited in a narrative fashion to the extent possible, rather than through examination and cross-examination of witnesses. The rules of evidence will not apply and no record of the proceedings will be made. All persons involved in the events giving rise to the grievance should be encouraged to participate fully in the proceedings, both by stating their views and by asking questions of the other participants at the mediation hearing.

The primary effort of the mediator should be to assist the parties in settling the grievance in a mutually satisfactory fashion. In attempting to achieve a settlement, the mediator is free to use all of the techniques customarily associated with mediation, including private conferences with only one party. If settlement is not possible, the mediator should provide the parties with an immediate opinion, based on the Collective Bargaining Agreement, as to how the grievance would be decided if it went to arbitration. That opinion would not be final and binding, but would be advisory. It would be delivered orally and would be accompanied by a statement of the reasons for the mediator's opinion. The advisory opinion could be used as the basis for further settlement discussions or for withdrawal or granting of the grievance. If the grievance is not settled, granted or withdrawn, the parties are free to arbitrate. If they do, the mediator could not serve as arbitrator, and nothing said or done by the parties or the mediator during mediation could be used against a party during arbitration.

Neither non-Employer attorneys nor court reporters or any other type of notetaker shall be allowed to be present at the proceedings.



## APPENDIX C- AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

When issues arise involving the duty to provide a disabled applicant or employee with reasonable accommodation under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and regulations issued pursuant to it, the Union and Employer agree to meet within five (5) days of such request or such extended time as reached by mutual agreement in a good-faith effort to enable the Employer to meet its reasonable accommodation obligation in a manner which least conflicts with this Agreement.

If the Union and Employer are unable to reach such a mutual agreement, such dispute shall be subject to the Grievance and Arbitration procedure set out in Article 16. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any employee claiming a violation of the Employer's duty of reasonable accommodation may submit their claim to any state or federal tribunal or agency authorized to settle such claim.

## APPENDIX D - SUBSTANCE ABUSE REHABILITATION

A. The Employer and the Union agree that use of unprescribed controlled substances which causes intoxication or impairment on-the-job poses risks to the employee, his co-workers, and to the Employer. Recognizing that in a given situation drug abuse may be an illness, it is the parties' intent that the Employer shall offer one (1) rehabilitation opportunity rather than terminating the employee on the first occasion.

B. Use or abuse of prescribed controlled substances may pose the same risks identified in Paragraph 1 above. However, if the prescribing physician certifies that his orders regarding frequency and strength of dosage were followed by the employee, the matter shall not warrant discipline. If the physician reports to the contrary, then the same process shall apply as to use of unprescribed controlled substances.

C. Use, consumption, sale or purchase of controlled substances on Employer premises or during the period from the start to the finish of a shift (including overtime, if any) shall result in dismissal, unless consumption is pursuant to the prescribing physician's prior specific orders.

D. All employees shall be informed of this policy before testing is administered. Employees will be provided with contact information on each Local's MAP program by the Union. Managers, supervisors, and Union stewards shall be trained to recognize the symptoms of drug abuse, impairment, and intoxication.

E. No employee shall be tested for drug metabolites unless there exists a reasonable suspicion that the employee to be tested is under the influence of drugs. Random or mass testing is strictly prohibited. The term "reasonable suspicion" shall, for the purpose of this policy and Paragraph be defined as follows:

Aberrant or unusual on-duty behavior of an individual employee which:

1. is observed on-duty by the employee's immediate supervisor or another supervisor or manager and is confirmed, if present on the premises, by the observation of another supervisory employee, managerial employee or loss prevention employee;

2. is the type of behavior which is recognized and accepted as symptoms of intoxication or impairment caused by controlled substances or alcohol or addiction to or dependence upon said controlled substances; or

3. results in a work-related accident causing damage to property in an amount exceeding five hundred dollars (\$500.00) or in physical injury to any individual requiring medical treatment other than minor cuts or bruises arising in the normal course of employment.

Reports of drug abuse or aberrant behavior which are not confirmed by supervisory observations shall not constitute reasonable suspicion. Accidents defined in Paragraph E-3 constitute reasonable suspicion.

F. 1. When a supervisor has reasonable suspicion to believe that an employee is using, consuming, or under the influence of an alcoholic beverage or controlled substance, the supervisor shall notify another member of management for the purpose of observation and confirmation of the employee's condition. The employee shall be offered an opportunity to give an explanation of their



condition, such as reaction to a prescribed drug, fatigue, lack of sleep, exposure to noxious fumes, reaction to over-the-counter medication or illness. A Union representative, store steward, if on the store's premises at the time of observation, or employee witness shall be present during such explanation, and shall be entitled to confer with the employee before the explanation is requested. If both supervisors and/or managers, after observing the employee still have reasonable suspicion to believe that the employee is using, consuming, and/or under the influence of an alcoholic beverage, non-prescribed controlled substance, or non-prescribed narcotic drug while on duty, then, by a written order signed by both the employee's immediate supervisor, if they are present or by another supervisor or manager if they are not, and another member of management, if present, the employee shall be ordered to submit to a 5 Panel NIDA Drug Screen designed to detect the presence of amphetamines, cocaine metabolites, marijuana metabolites, opiate metabolites, and phencyclidine in accordance with the procedure set forth below, and/ or blood alcohol test.

2. Refusal to submit to toxicology testing after being ordered to do so shall result in discharge.

G. The following procedure shall apply to blood and urine tests administered to employees:

1. No employee of the Employer shall draw blood from an employee.

2. The testing shall be done by a laboratory certified by the State of California as a medical and forensic laboratory which complies with the Scientific and Technical Guidelines for Federal Drug Testing Programs and the Standards for Certification of Laboratories engaged in Urine Drug Testing for Federal Agencies issued by the Alcohol, Drug Abuse and Mental Health Administration of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

3. The standards used to determine what levels of detected substances shall be considered as positive are the most recently published federal guidelines. State guidelines apply to alcohol only. Levels, which are below those set above, shall be determined as negative indications.

4. Any sample, which has been adulterated or is shown to be a substance other than urine shall be reported as such.

5. At the laboratory, a sample of the specimen shall be tested using the EMIT procedure. In order to be considered positive, the sample must also show a positive result on the GCMS confirmatory test. This specimen shall be made available to the union upon request for testing by a laboratory selected by the Union.

H. If the results of the test administered by the Employer on the sample show that the employee, while on duty, was under the influence of or drank, smoked, ingested, inhaled, or injected alcoholic beverages, non-prescribed narcotics, marijuana, cocaine, PCP, or non-prescribed amphetamines, or other tested drug the following procedure shall be followed:

The employee and the Union shall be presented with a copy of the results before any discipline is imposed. The Union and the employee shall then have seventy-two (72) hours to present to the Employer any different results from the test of the sample conducted by a laboratory selected by the Union; however, the failure of the Union or the employee to have the third (3<sup>rd</sup>) test performed or to present the results to the Employer shall not be used against the employee as a basis for discipline or in any arbitration proceeding. The laboratory selected by the Union must meet the standards set forth in

Paragraph G-2. At the employee's request, the Employer will ask the Drug Trust to recommend rehabilitation agencies. Failure to sign a "last chance" agreement and to complete a rehabilitation program shall result in dismissal. Dismissal shall also result if there is another confirmed substance abuse occurring within a twenty-four (24) month period.

I. Employees who seek voluntary assistance for alcohol and substance abuse before reasonable suspicion arises shall not be disciplined for seeking such assistance. Also, if reasonable suspicion later results in testing, which show use of unprescribed controlled substances, the employee shall still be entitled to one (1) more opportunity for rehabilitation and a last chance agreement. The Employer shall use its best efforts to keep confidential an employee's decision to seek assistance provided such assistance is sought prior to the occurrence of work performance or behavior difficulties. Employees enrolled in substance abuse programs shall be subject to all Employer rules and regulations, and job performance standards.

J. Results of urine and blood tests performed hereunder shall be considered medical records and held confidential to the extent permitted by law. Test shall only be performed for alcohol, chemical adulteration, marijuana metabolites, cocaine metabolites, opiates, amphetamines, and phencyclidine, or other drugs tested pursuant to Federal Drug Testing Guidelines and the laboratory shall only report on the presence or absence of these substances. Test for other drugs shall not be performed and, if such tests are performed, the results of such other test shall not be reported to the employer.

K. The unpaid suspension for positive results shall be limited to four (4) full days, provided the employee has agreed to immediately enter a drug/alcohol rehabilitation program as recommended. If results are negative, days of suspension shall be paid.

L. Nothing contained herein shall be deemed to waive the Union's right to grieve and arbitrate the enforcement and application of this policy by the Employer, including any discipline so issued hereunder.

M. Nothing contained herein is intended to violate any federal or state law, rule, or regulation, and if found to do so in part by any court of competent jurisdiction, then that part shall be made null and void and the parties agree that they will, within thirty (30) days, begin negotiations to replace such void part with a valid provision.



APPENDIX E- REPRESENTED STORES AS OF 9/30/2021

Store #	Union	Address	City	State	Zip
08829	1442	219 S. Lincoln Blvd.	Venice	CA	90291
08831	1442	3880 W. Rosecrans Ave	Hawthorne	CA	90250
08835	770	3710 Tweedy Boulevard	South Gate	CA	90280
08837	770	222 N. Market St	Inglewood	CA	90301
08838	324	2130 N. Bellflower Blvd.	Long Beach	CA	90815
08839	770	150 West Carson St	Carson	CA	90745
08841	324	11623 Rosecrans Ave.	Norwalk	CA	90650
08844	324	6510 South Street	Lakewood	CA	90713
08847	1442	3010 South Sepulveda Boulevard	Los Angeles	CA	90034
08849	324	1545 West 17 <sup>th</sup> Street	Santa Ana	CA	92706
08850	324	19121 Beach Boulevard	Huntington Beach	CA	92648
08852	1442	4235 Pacific Coast Highway	Torrance	CA	90505
08854	324	1750 North Grand Avenue	Santa Ana	CA	92701
08855	324	228 North Harbor Boulevard	Santa Ana	CA	92703
08858	770	7101 Atlantic Avenue	Bell	CA	90201
08860	1442	11831 Hawthorne Boulevard	Hawthorne	CA	90250
08861	324	8850 Valley View Street	Buena Park	CA	90620
08862	324	12031 Brookhurst Street	Garden Grove	CA	92640
08867	324	7915 Florence Avenue	Downey	CA	90240
08868	1442	5020 West 190 <sup>th</sup> Street	Torrance	CA	90503
08871	1442	13171 Mindinao Way	Marina Del Rey	CA	90292
08881	324	1020 Irvine Avenue	Newport Beach	CA	92660
08883	324	3911 South Bristol Street	Santa Ana	CA	92704
08884	324	24372 Rockfield Blvd	Lake Forest	CA	92630
08886	1442	8601 South Sepulveda Boulevard	Los Angeles	CA	90045
08891	324	26851 Trabuco Rd	Mission Viejo	CA	92691
08892	770	5822 South Vermont Avenue	Los Angeles	CA	90044
08893	324	602 N. El Camino Real	San Clemente	CA	92672
09103	135	318 W El Norte Parkway	Escondido	CA	92026
09106	135	1656 Garnet Ave	San Diego	CA	92109
09137	135	7393 Jackson Dr.	San Diego	CA	92119
09140	135	555 Broadway Ste 1054	Chula Vista	CA	91910
09141	135	3151 University Ave.	San Diego	CA	92104
09165	135	3327 Rosecrans Blvd.	San Diego	CA	92110
09187	135	683 Lomas Santa Fe Dr.	Solana Beach	CA	92075
09475	1442	4320 Redondo Beach Boulevard	Torrance	CA	90504
09477	770	5399 West Centinela Avenue	Los Angeles	CA	90045
09478	770	3020 Sepulveda Boulevard	Torrance	CA	90505
09481	324	12444 Beach Boulevard	Stanton	CA	90680
09483	324	10011 Adams Avenue	Huntington Beach	CA	92647
09485	324	25272 Marguerite Pkwy	Mission Viejo	CA	92675
09489	324	13303 East South Street	Cerritos	CA	90701
09491	324	5822 Edinger Avenue	Huntington Beach	CA	92647
09493	1442	12315 Venice Boulevard	Los Angeles	CA	90066

09495	324	220 East Compton Boulevard	Compton	CA	90220
09496	1442	2900 N. Sepulveda Blvd.	Manhattan Beach	CA	90266
09497	324	14330 Culver Drive	Irvine	CA	92714
09501	770	2655 Santa Ana Street	South Gate	CA	90280
09507	770	650 East El Segundo Boulevard	Los Angeles	CA	90059
09510	324	15421 Brookhurst Street	Westminster	CA	92683
09512	324	15466 Whittier Blvd.	Whittier	CA	90603
09564	770	15700 South Western Avenue	Gardena	CA	90247
09569	324	17136 Magnolia Avenue	Fountain Valley	CA	92708
09571	770	950 North Western Avenue	San Pedro	CA	90732
09579	324	4570 Atlantic Avenue	Long Beach	CA	90807
09580	770	5101 Rodeo Road	Los Angeles	CA	90016
09598	324	455 North State College Boulevard	Fullerton	CA	92631
09601	770	1015 N. San Fernando Boulevard	Burbank	CA	91504
09602	770	21051 Sherman Way	Canoga Park	CA	91303
09603	770	201 North Los Angeles Street	Los Angeles	CA	90012
09609	1428	9920 East Garvey Avenue	El Monte	CA	91733
09611	770	19424 Soledad Canyon Rd.	Canyon Country	CA	91351
09613	770	23357 Mulholland Drive	Woodland Hills	CA	91364
09615	770	19353 Victory Blvd.	Reseda	CA	91335
09617	770	2103 South Atlantic Boulevard	Monterey Park	CA	91754
09619	1167	9840 Sierra Ave	Fontana	CA	92335
09621	770	18247 Sherman Way	Reseda	CA	91335
09625	770	9089 Woodman Ave.	Arleta	CA	91331
09626	770	1701 South Western Avenue	Los Angeles	CA	90006
09629	1428	861 North Hacienda Boulevard	La Puente	CA	91744
09637	1428	367 N Citrus Ave	Azusa	CA	91702
09639	1428	11940 Garvey Avenue	El Monte	CA	91732
09641	1428	206 N. Azusa Avenue	Covina	CA	91722
09643	770	8425 Laurel Canyon Blvd.	Sun Valley	CA	91352
09645	770	8225 Garvey Avenue	Rosemead	CA	91770
09647	770	2037 Verdugo Blvd.	Montrose	CA	91020
09651	770	12717 Glenoaks Blvd.	Sylmar	CA	91342
09655	770	1028 Balboa Blvd.	Granada Hills	CA	91344
09661	770	6360 West Third Street	Los Angeles	CA	90036
09667	1428	300 South Diamond Bar Boulevard	Diamond Bar	CA	91765
09669	770	2530 Glendale Boulevard	Los Angeles	CA	90039
09672	1428	14503 Ramona Blvd	Baldwin Park	CA	91706
09675	770	12143 Ventura Blvd	Studio City	CA	91604
09677	770	17320 Ventura Blvd	Encino	CA	91316
09679	770	1485 E. Valley Blvd.	Alhambra	CA	91801
09682	770	22968 Victory Blvd.	Woodland Hills	CA	91367
09685	770	2240 Fair Park Ave.	Los Angeles	CA	90041
09686	770	4707 Venice Blvd	Los Angeles	CA	90019
09689	770	950 West Foothill Blvd	Monrovia	CA	91016
09698	1428	100 W. Foothill Blvd.	Upland	CA	91786
09707	770	14735 Ventura Blvd.	Sherman Oaks	CA	91403



09709	1428	1479 Foothill Boulevard	La Verne	CA	91750
09715	770	2791 Agoura Rd.	Thousand Oaks	CA	91361
09716	770	5585 N Rosemead Blvd.	Temple City	CA	91780
09717	770	13021 Victory Blvd.	North Hollywood	CA	91606
09719	770	5259 Mission Oaks Blvd.	Camarillo	CA	93012
09721	770	1401 S. Baldwin Ave.	Arcadia	CA	91007
09738	324	11735 Whittier Boulevard	Whittier	CA	90601
09744	324	1535 East Katella Avenue	Orange	CA	92667
09747	324	150 East Yorba Linda Boulevard	Placentia	CA	92870
09748	1428	3670 S. Nogales St.	West Covina	CA	91792
09753	324	5735 E. La Palma Avenue	Anaheim Hills	CA	92807
09759	324	270 West Lincoln Avenue	Anaheim	CA	92805
09785	770	2006 West Avenue J	Lancaster	CA	93536
09857	770	800 W. Whittier Blvd.	Montebello	CA	90640

SIDE LETTER

**Side Letter.** Excluded Delivery Drivers who are employed by CVS shall only be allowed to receive prescriptions from store locations for delivery to customer's homes or businesses and return payment for such to same store locations as needed. Excluded Delivery Drivers shall not perform any other bargaining work.

Signed this 10<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2022.

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RECOGNITION SIDE LETTER

The recognition language in the collective bargaining agreement shall revert to the following on January 1, 2018 and the list of stores in Appendix E shall then be updated to reflect the full list of recognized stores, incorporating all stores added during the Cooperation Agreement.

Signed this 10<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2022.

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LETTER OF AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN  
UFCW LOCALS 135, 324, 770, 1167, 1428, 1442, 5 AND 648  
AND  
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Promotional Drug Tests and Leave of Absence Poster:

Any employee promoted into a shift supervisor position or into the pharmacy from a front store position must successfully pass a drug test screening in order to be eligible for the promotion. Employees currently in shift supervisor or pharmacy positions are exempt from this testing. Those individuals who do not successfully pass the drug test screening shall be denied the promotion, and enter into the rehabilitation procedures outlined in Appendix D.

The Company shall post in each store its Leave of Absence policies so that bargaining unit members can follow Company procedures to ensure that benefit and seniority rights are not delayed or interrupted.



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Joint Labor-Management Committee:

The parties agree to create a joint labor-management committee ("Committee") to discuss benefits issues during the term of this Agreement. The Committee will be comprised of no more than ten (10) representatives appointed by the Union and ten (10) representatives appointed by the Company. The Committee will meet upon mutual agreement of the parties. Before the Company changes any employee eligibility requirements for its Medical Insurance, Dental Insurance or Flexible Spending Accounts plans that would be applicable to bargaining unit employees, the Company shall notify the Union and shall agree to a meeting of the Committee upon the Union's request to discuss the change(s); provided, it is understood that neither the Union nor the Committee will have the right to delay or prevent such change(s).

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UFCW LOCALS 135, 324, 770, 1167, 1428, 1442, 5 AND 648  
AND  
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Health Care Concierge Classification:

1. Whereas CVS Health ("Company") and UFCW Locals 135, 324, 770, 1167, 1428, 1442, 5 and 648 (hereinafter the "Union"), have met to discuss the implementation of a new employee position, Health Care Concierge ("HCC") as defined in the Company's job description, the Union and the Company recognize this position as part of the bargaining unit under the same terms and conditions of the current Collective Bargaining Agreement if not otherwise specifically outlined in this letter. The Company has the sole and exclusive discretion to determine in which store locations an HCC may be utilized. It is understood and agreed that the Company may, at its sole discretion, eliminate the position (and the corresponding premium pay). The implementation of the position will not directly result in the reduction of hours to other colleagues.

2. The Company will have the sole discretion in the selection of individuals for these positions. The Company shall be the sole judge as to the competency of the candidates and the selection shall be based solely upon the Company's judgment of the skills, ability and competency of the candidates. However, for HCC roles in stores where the Union represents FS employees, the Company will post the HCC positions internally before they post the HCC positions externally. Similarly, for the HCC roles in stores where the Union represents FS employees, the Company will interview and consider internal candidates before they consider external candidates.

It is further agreed that in each store where the Union represents FS employees, and in which the Company will have two (2) HCCs, one of the two will be a full-time employee pursuant to section 3 below.

3. To be considered as a candidate, they must be capable of performing all the essential functions, and have the ability, and ongoing availability, to work a flexible schedule including days, nights, and weekends as required in the Company's job description. Current bargaining unit employees promoted into this position must complete the required training successfully and will be subject to a ninety (90) day probationary period. During such time, if the employee is unable to fulfill the needs of the HCC position, if any other employees that were affected by the change they will be returned to their previous position, FT/PT status, and wage rate.

It is further agreed that this position will provide a wage increase for existing represented colleagues promoted from Store Associate, Pharmacy Technician or Shift Supervisor into the HCC role. The minimum wage rate for the HCC as of January 2020 will be one dollar and seventy-five cent (\$1.75) per hour above the applicable existing Associate minimum wage rate as per Appendix A of the Retail Agreement. For CVS employees earning more than \$4.95, the wage increase for an internal promotion shall be one dollar and seventy-five cents (\$1.75) per hour, up to a maximum of nineteen dollars and fifty cents (\$19.50) per hour. For CVS employees earning more than \$18.26 per hour, the wage increase for internal promotion shall be one dollar and twenty-five cents (\$1.25) per hour up to a maximum of twenty-one dollars and twenty-five cents (\$21.25) per hour. For CVS employees earning more than twenty-one dollars and twenty-six cents (\$21.26) per hour, the wage increase for an internal promotion shall be fifty cents (\$0.50) per hour, to a maximum of twenty-two dollars and fifty cents (\$22.50) per hour.

For 2020:

Minimum Wage Rate	\$14.95 (+\$1.75 over applicable 'Clerk' minimum Wage Rate)	
Current employees with a wage between \$13.20-\$18.25	+\$1.75 increase, to a cap of \$19.50	Employees with present rate between \$17.76 - \$18.25 will receive wage increase of less than \$1.75 to take them to (\$19.50)
Current employees with a wage between \$18.26-\$20.25	+\$1.25 increase to a cap of \$21.25	Employees with present rate between \$20.01 - \$20.25 will receive wage increase of less than \$1.25 to take them to (\$21.25)
Current employees with a wage above \$20.26	+\$0.50 increase to a cap of \$22.50	Employees with a present rate above \$22.00 will receive a wage increase of less than \$0.50 to take them to \$22.50

Current CVS employees promoted into the HCC classification before 7/12/20 shall be entitled to the 'across the board' wage increase of \$0.75 per hour as of 7/12/20 as per the Collective Bargaining Agreement.

The wage rate offered to external candidates is at the discretion of CVS.

4. When an HCC employee would have reached the top rate of their prior classification, that employee will be increased to that top rate plus the applicable HCC increase as set forth in the chart in paragraph 3 above.

5. If an employee was hired as a HCC and is demoted to a lesser position, their rate of pay will be subject to change based on the minimum rate for the new position and the employee's length of service with the Company. If the employee was hired as a Full Time HCC, and demoted, they will be reclassified as Part Time.



**PART-TIME AVAILABILITY FORM**  
**TO BE COMPLETED BY ASSOCIATE**

1) I am NOT available to work the following days and hours on a weekly basis. Indicate those hours which you are NOT available each day with A.M. or P.M. designation.

From:	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
To:	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

2) I can work a maximum of \_\_\_\_\_ hours per week.

I understand that the number of hours for which I am scheduled is based upon business needs, qualification, availability and seniority. I also understand that if my availability changes it is my responsibility to complete a new Availability Information Form that I will submit to my Store Manager.

**TO BE SIGNED BY ALL PART-TIME ASSOCIATES**

By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Associate Name (print) Month/Day/Year  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Associate Signature Date of Hire (month/year)

**TO BE COMPLETED BY STORE MANAGER**

I agree that this associate is NOT available to work the above stated days and hours on a weekly basis. I also agree the employee does not want more than the maximum number of hours per week as stated above.

By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Store Manager (print) Month/Day/Year  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Store Manager Signature

**FOR PART-TIME ASSOCIATE WITH SIX (6) OR MORE MONTHS OF CONTINUOUS SERVICE / 24 HOUR WAIVER**

I understand that in order to be scheduled the 24 hour minimum guarantee, I need to be available to work at least a shift on 5 out of 7 days, including Saturday & Sundays; and at least 5 evening shifts (up to (1) hour after store closing) or up to 11 p.m. if employed in a 24 - hour store. I understand that if I am not available to work these times, I may not be scheduled 24 hours each week and therefore may not qualify for health care coverage. I understand that health care coverage is currently available to eligible associates who work or are paid an average of 23 hours per week over a defined period of time.

This associate hereby waives the 24 hour guarantee. (To be signed only by associates who cannot work the above times.)

By: \_\_\_\_\_ Associate Signature  
 Associate Name (print)

Store Managers must fax a copy of this form to Union immediately if associate is waiving 24 hour guarantee.

I have faxed a copy to the union: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Store Manager Signature Date

## NOTES