Memorandum of Agreement

Between:

COLCHESTER RESIDENTIAL SERVICES SOCIETY

("Employer")

And

NOVA SCOTIA GOVERNMENT & GENERAL EMPLOYEES UNION

("Union")

WHEREAS a collective agreement is in effect between the Employer and the Union;

AND WHEREAS said collective agreement does not expire until October 31, 2023;

AND WHEREAS the parties are desirous of amending certain provisions of said collective agreement;

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to Article 31.04 of said collective agreement, the Employer and Union agree to reopen certain provisions of the collective agreement and they shall be amended as expressly provided below:

1. Article 31.01 is amended by deleting the body of the article and replacing it with the following:

This agreement shall be in effect for a term beginning November 1, 2015 until October 31, 2024. After October 31, 2024 this agreement shall be automatically renewed thereafter for successive periods of twelve (12) months unless either party requests the negotiations of a new agreement by giving notice to the other party within the two (2) month period preceding the date of expiry of the Agreement.

2. Appendix "A" is amended by introducing a new Residential Support Worker classification scale effective retroactive to April 1, 2022, as follows:

April 1, 2022, Classification Adjustment:

Residential Support Worker - Classification Adjustment			
	Hourly Rate @ 2080 Hours	Annual rates	
Step 1 (start)	\$21,4712	\$44,660	
Step 2 (after year 1)	\$21.9096	\$45,572	
Step 3 (after 2 years)	\$22.3587	\$46,502	
Step 4 (after 3 years)	\$22.8130	\$47,451	
Step 5 (after 4 years)	\$23.2784	\$48,419	

November 1, 2022, 1.5% economic adjustment

Residential Support Worker		
	Hourly Rate @ 2080 Hours	Annual rates
Step 1 (start)	\$21.7933	\$45,330
Step 2 (after year 1)	\$22.2382	\$46,256
Step 3 (after 2 years)	\$22.6921	\$47,199
Step 4 (after 3 years)	\$23.1552	\$48,163
Step 5 (after 4 years)	\$23.6276	\$49,145

November 1, 2023, 3% economic adjustment

Residential Support Worker			
	Hourly Rate @ 2080 Hours	Annual rates	
Step 1 (start)	\$22.4471	\$46,690	
Step 2 (after year 1)	\$22.9054	\$47,643	
Step 3 (after 2 years)	\$23.3728	\$48,615	
Step 4 (after 3 years)	\$23.8499	\$49,608	
Step 5 (after 4 years)	\$24.3364	\$50,620	

October 31, 2024, 0.5% economic adjustment

Residential Support Worker			
	Hourly Rate @ 2080 Hours	Annual rates	
Step 1 (start)	\$22.5593	\$46,923	
Step 2 (after year 1)	\$23.0199	\$47,881	
Step 3 (after 2 years)	\$23.4897	\$48,859	
Step 4 (after 3 years)	\$23.9691	\$49,856	
Step 5 (after 4 years)	\$24.4581	\$50,873	

3. Notwithstanding Article 31.02 of the Collective Agreement, all Residential Support Workers as of the date of ratification of this Memorandum of Agreement, February 3, 2023, shall be placed at step 5 of the new scale effective April 1, 2022, or date of hire if hired after April 1, 2022.

4. Employees who do not meet or maintain the Provincial Advisory Committee standards will continue to follow their current scale until they meet the qualifications of the Residential Support Worker classification.

Signed this 3 day of March, 2023

COLCHESTER RESIDENTIAL SERVICES SOCIETY

NOVA SCOTIA GOVERNMENT & GENERAL EMPLOYEES UNION

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