

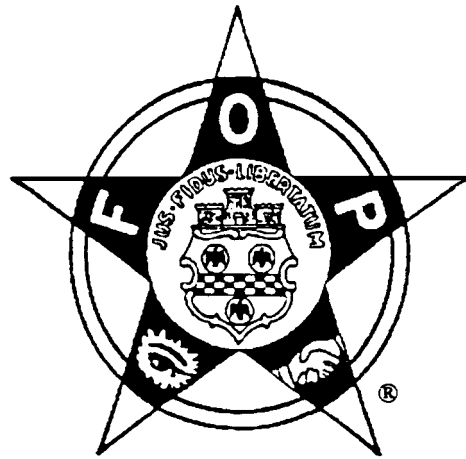
AGREEMENT

between

City of Kettering, Ohio

and

Kettering Police Supervisors' Association



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AGREEMENT

This Agreement is between the City of Kettering, Ohio (the “City”) and the Kettering Police Supervisors’ Association (the “Union”). The implementation of the portions of this Agreement regarding wages and fringe benefits is subject to enactment into appropriate ordinances by the City Council.

ARTICLE 1 - COOPERATION

Section 1. The City and the Union each agrees to use its best efforts to serve the citizens of the City and the public in general, to achieve better understanding between the City, the Union and the employees represented by the Union; to assure the proper and uninterrupted functions of the services of the City; and to promote mutual respect and fair dealing among the City, the Union and the employees represented by the Union.

Section 2. Command Responsibility. Command Officers are responsible for supervising patrol officers and other employees assigned to them, and for assisting in the management of the Police Department. Each Command Officer and the Union will take no action inconsistent with these responsibilities and will cooperate fully with the City to help formulate policies and to carry them out.

Section 3. City’s Responsibility. The City will take no action which unjustly and arbitrarily affects working conditions adversely to employees covered by this Agreement.

ARTICLE 2 - RECOGNITION AND DUES DEDUCTION

Section 1. The City recognizes the Kettering Police Supervisors’ Association as the exclusive bargaining agent for the purpose of negotiating wages, hours, fringe benefits and other terms and conditions of employment for all sworn Sergeants and Lieutenants. The coverage of this contract shall be limited to the Command Officers included within the bargaining unit described above.

Section 2. Dues Deduction. During the period this Agreement is in effect, the City will deduct the regular annual union dues from the wages of employees who individually and voluntarily authorize and direct such deductions in writing. The written authorization shall be revocable at will upon thirty (30) days written notice to the City and Union. The deducted dues shall be remitted to the Kettering Police Supervisors’ Association. The authorization and direction shall be revocable by the employee upon 10 days written notice to the City. The City shall notify the Union upon receipt of such request. The Union shall hold the City harmless from any liability arising out of any action taken by it or omitted by it in compliance with or in an attempt to comply with the provisions of this Section.

ARTICLE 3 - MANAGEMENT RIGHTS

Section 1. Management Rights. This Section, and any other provision in this Agreement relating to management rights, are solely intended to supplement the rights of management granted in Section 4117.08, Ohio Revised Code. This does not constitute bargaining about any of the rights protected by Section 4117.08 and is not a waiver of the City's right to refuse to bargain about any and all of the rights contained in Section 4117.08. The management and direction of the affairs of the City are retained by the City. This includes, but is not limited to: the selection, transfer, assignment and layoff of Command Officers, the termination of probationary Command Officers, the termination for

just cause of other Command Officers; the making, amending and enforcement of reasonable work rules and regulations; the securing of the revenues of the City; the exercise of all functions of government granted to the City by the constitution and statutes of the State of Ohio and the City Charter; the determination from time to time as to what services the City shall perform; the establishment or continuation of policies, practices or procedures for the conduct of its affairs and from time to time, the changing or abolition of such practices or procedures; the purchasing and maintaining of adequate and safe equipment; the determination of the number of hours per day or week any operation may be carried on; the selection and determination of the number and types of Command Officers required; the establishment of training programs and upgrading requirements for employees; the establishment and the changing of work schedules and assignments; the contracting for the performance of such work as the City determines advisable and the taking of such other measures as the City and/or Management may determine to be necessary for the orderly and efficient operation of the City; and the determination of the size and composition of the work force. The City retains all rights except to the extent this Agreement specifically and expressly provides to the contrary. The City will not use this Section to contravene individual rights granted by this Agreement or otherwise by law.

Section 2. The expressing of any views, argument, or opinion, or the dissemination thereof, whether in written, printed, graphic, or visual form, shall not constitute or be evidence of an unfair labor practice under any of the provisions of this Act (Ohio Revised Code 4117), if such expression contains no threat of reprisal or force or promise of benefit.

ARTICLE 4 - UNION BUSINESS

Section 1. The Union shall appoint one Associate and one Alternate per bargaining unit. The membership shall elect the negotiations committee in accordance with the Union constitution and by-laws. The negotiations committee shall elect their chairperson. These representatives shall be certified to the City in writing. Only those representatives certified by the Union in writing will be permitted to conduct business on behalf of the Union.

Section 2. In cases of any disciplinary action or grievances, the Union Associate or Alternate shall be allowed reasonable time without loss of pay to investigate a grievance, or consult with the City in processing a grievance, if they first receive permission from their supervisor. Such permission will not be unreasonably denied. When an employee is directed to participate in an investigatory interview or interrogation with an agent of the employer and either party reasonably believes and states that information which is to be discussed may result in disciplinary action of severity greater than reprimand of record, or at the time an employee is to receive a reprimand of record, the Union Associate/Alternate and/or Union representatives will be present upon the request of the Command Officer. Denial of representation in accordance with this Section shall be subject to the grievance procedure; however, failure of compliance with any aspect of this provision shall not void disciplinary action imposed for just cause.

Section 3. The City shall provide the Union with a list of new bargaining unit Command Officers within a reasonable time after new bargaining unit Command Officers are hired or promoted into the bargaining unit. The Union shall furnish the City with a current copy of its constitution and by-laws with changes upon request. The Union shall be provided with current copies of all liability, medical, life and health insurance policies that apply to members of the bargaining unit.

Section 4. The Union will identify the members of its negotiating team within thirty days

of their election or appointment. No more than three bargaining unit members shall be included on the Union negotiating team. The City will transfer up to two negotiating team members (up to three if, in the City's judgment, this will not interfere with Department operations) working shifts other than day shifts to day shifts on the days negotiations take place and allow members of the Union negotiating team time without loss of pay to participate in negotiation meetings with the City.

Section 5. Union Associates/Alternates and Committee Members. Sufficient time off shall be granted to any two of those members who have been elected or appointed as the Associate, Alternate or negotiating committee members who are employees covered hereunder for the purpose of attending and conducting regular or special meetings of the Union, provided, however, a 48-hour notice is given to the Chief of Police and such release from duty is subject to the scheduling requirements in the interest of efficient operation of the Department.

Section 6. Union Leave. The City shall accredit to a leave fund two hours of leave from each member's vacation time, per calendar year. If the balance of leave fund falls below 100 hours, in a calendar year, the Command Officer (or Union) may request no vacation time be deducted from each member's balance. The Union shall notify the City by no later than November 1st of each calendar year. These hours will be deducted from the member's leave on the first pay period after the contract date and each anniversary date if the contract is for more than one year. Any unused hours in the fund shall be carried over into the next year but no more than 20 days can be accumulated. This leave will be for use by the Associate/Alternate and/or committee members at any time during the year for such functions as conventions, educational meetings, legislative hearings, conferences, and others as deemed necessary by the Union.

The Union may utilize the aforementioned provision by the Associate or Kettering Police Supervisors' Association Representative making a written request to the Chief of Police indicating who shall be using the leave, the times and dates of the requested leave, the total number of hours to be utilized and the specific purpose for the leave. Such leave shall be reviewed for approval on the same basis as vacation leave.

Section 7. A Union representative shall accompany management on any administrative searches of Sergeants' or Lieutenants' lockers, desks or City-owned vehicles.

Section 8. Bulletin Board. The City agrees to furnish the Union bulletin board space within the Police Department to be used by the Union for the posting of notices and bulletins relating to the Union. All items so posted will bear the signature of an official of the Union. The location of said bulletin board space shall be designated by the City. Notices must be reviewed with the Chief of Police and any bulletin or notice considered inflammatory, political or devoted to union organizing or grievance matters will not be permitted.

ARTICLE 5 - NO STRIKE/NO LOCKOUT

Section 1. No Strikes. There will be no strikes of any kind. This includes sympathetic strikes and strikes for foreseeable or unforeseeable reasons. "Strikes" include any work stoppage, slowdown, picketing, or any other concerted activity or attempted concerted activity which would interrupt or limit the performance of services. This Section is for the benefit of the City and the public it serves, and is in addition to all other rights provided them by law.

Union Responsibility. The Union will use its best efforts to prevent any violation of this Section and to stop any violation if one occurs. If there is a violation of this Section, the Union will

publicly denounce the strike and will provide the City with written notice that the strike is not authorized, is in violation of this Agreement, and is not to be honored. If the Union carries out its obligations under this Section, it shall have no financial liability for the violation.

Employee Discipline. The City shall have the right to discharge, demote, suspend, fine or otherwise discipline employees for violation of this Section. A suspension for a certain number of working days may at the City's option be enforced by the forfeiture of an equal number of days of paid vacation or paid holidays or other paid time off. An employee disciplined under this Section may file a grievance, but only on a claim that they did not violate this Section. The discipline imposed may not be overturned if the employee did violate this Section, and the arbitrator or any other reviewing tribunal under the grievance procedure shall have no authority or jurisdiction to reduce or modify the discipline if the employee did violate this Section.

Restraining Violations. If the City claims this Section is violated, it may at its option obtain an immediate arbitration hearing. To do so it shall give the Union written or electronic notice of its claim and request the American Arbitration Association to appoint an arbitrator to hear and decide the claim on an emergency basis. The hearing shall be held within 48 hours or as soon after that as possible. The parties shall not file and the arbitrator shall not receive post hearing briefs about the issuance of an immediate restraining order. The arbitrator shall rule from the bench and, if they find that this Section has been violated, they shall immediately issue an award prohibiting continuation or resumption of the strike. The arbitrator shall continue the hearing (and may request post hearing briefs) on the issue of damages. This arbitration provision does not affect the City's right to seek direct relief, injunctive or otherwise, in the courts or elsewhere.

Section 2. No Lockout. During the term of this Agreement, the City will engage in no lockout of the Command Officers covered by this Agreement.

ARTICLE 6 - NO DISCRIMINATION

The City, the Union, and each employee will cooperate fully to abide by, and will abide by, all applicable laws and regulations prohibiting discrimination on account of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, or status as a Veteran.

ARTICLE 7 – WAGES

Section 1. Basic rates of pay shall be increased by 3.25% effective December 18, 2023, and by 3.00% on December 16, 2024, and by 3.00% on December 15, 2025.

STEP RATES

<u>Pay Grade</u>	<u>Basis</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>B</u>
<u>Rates Effective December 18, 2023</u>			
Sergeants 504	Hour	\$54.10	\$55.48
	Year	\$112,528	\$115,398
Lieutenants 505	Hour	\$58.23	\$59.65
	Year	\$121,118	\$124,072

<u>Pay Grade</u>	<u>Basis</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>B</u>
<u>Rates Effective December 16, 2024</u>			
Sergeants 504	Hour	\$55.72	\$57.14
	Year	\$115,898	\$118,851
Lieutenants 505	Hour	\$59.98	\$61.44
	Year	\$124,758	\$127,795

<u>Pay Grade</u>	<u>Basis</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>B</u>
<u>Rates Effective December 15, 2025</u>			
Sergeants 504	Hour	\$57.39	\$58.85
	Year	\$119,371	\$122,408
Lieutenants 505	Hour	\$61.78	\$63.28
	Year	\$128,502	\$131,622

Section 2. Minimum Service Requirement. Minimum service requirement at Step A is six months for eligibility to qualify for advancement to Step B.

Section 3. Shift Differential. Command Officers assigned to a shift in which one-half or more of the working hours are between 3:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m. shall receive 90¢ per hour in addition to the basic straight-time rates for those hours worked between 3:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m.

Section 4. Weekend Differential. Command Officers shall receive thirty cents (\$.30) per hour in addition to basic straight-time rates and applicable shift differential rates for all hours worked between 12:01 a.m. Saturday and 12:00 Midnight Sunday.

Section 5. Uniform Allowance. Command Officers will be paid a uniform allowance of \$1,500.00 per year. This allowance will be paid to each Command Officer in four equal payments with such payments to be included with the pay for the second Pay Period of each quarter.

Section 6. Overtime Eligibility. Command Officers are entitled to overtime compensation only as authorized by the Chief of Police. Command Officers shall receive no additional compensation for the performance of routine duties incidental to their normal daily assignments. Examples of circumstances for which additional overtime compensation will not be provided includes preparation for roll call or other similar duty assignments, the completion of routine paperwork at the end of a watch or duty day, and the independent completion of work which should have reasonably been completed during the Command Officer's duty day.

Section 7. Overtime Payment. The Chief of Police shall authorize overtime compensation at the rate of time and one-half the basic rate of pay for time worked outside of the Command Officer's regularly scheduled work day for police operational assignments and staff or training meetings. Examples of police operational assignments include the supervision of a watch, the operation of an investigation, the performance of non-supervisory police functions such as completing

an audit and the completion of related authorized staff assignments. Compensated overtime shall be computed in one-tenth of an hour units and approved by the Chief or their designee before being paid. Authorized overtime on any given holiday and Easter Sunday will be paid at two times the basic rate.

Section 8. Compensatory Time. Each Command Officer may accumulate compensatory time instead of payment for overtime ("Comp time"). Comp time will be accumulated at the rate at which overtime is paid (1.5 times basic rate, 2 times basic rate for unscheduled holiday hours).

No more than 240 hours may be stored in an Officer's comp time bank at any one time. Once the maximum of 240 hours is reached, all further qualified overtime will be paid. The decision whether to be paid overtime or to receive comp time is the Command Officer's.

Comp time may be scheduled in the same manner as a vacation. When a Command Officer leaves the City's employment, the balance of their comp time will be paid to them based on their rate of pay at the time of separation.

An Employee who has a compensatory time balance in excess of 100 hours on October 15 of each year may request to exchange up to 40 hours of compensatory time one time per year. Such requests must be submitted by November 1 of each year and will be paid in the first payroll of December, subject to the following conditions:

- a. The Chief of Police and City Manager must approve each exchange; and
- b. There is underspending in the Police Department budget (excluding the Capital Improvement budget line item) on November 1 of the request year; and
- c. In the event funds are not available to meet all requests for compensatory time exchange, requests will be paid pro rata.

Section 9. 40-Hour Workweek. For the purpose of calculating overtime, the normal workweek consists of an average 40 hours. Overtime pay or compensatory time off shall be calculated for Command Officers who work a straight 40-hour workweek for qualified time in excess of 40 straight-time hours. Command Officers on multiple-week cycles shall receive overtime pay or compensatory time off for qualified time in excess of the average 40 straight-time hours per week during the cycle.

Section 10. Normal Work Day. Except in the case of necessary appearances in court and emergency special duty assignments, the normal day for a Command Officer will be eight hours. A Command Officer who is scheduled to work on a holiday will be paid time and one-half their regular rate and a Command Officer who is scheduled to be off work on a holiday and is then required to work on that holiday will be paid at double their regular rate. Command Officers assigned to a watch will be required to report for roll call fifteen minutes prior to their scheduled shift.

Section 11. Court Appearances. Whenever it is necessary for an off-duty Command Officer to appear either in the Municipal Court or any other official court on matters pertaining to police business, or to appear before the Prosecutor for a pretrial conference, the officer shall prepare an overtime record form and submit it to their immediate commanding officer for approval. This form shall be filled out completely, wherever possible, and under "Remarks" the officer shall enter any additional details and the type charge, i.e., speeding, DWI, etc., and the Court's disposition, if available. A minimum of four hours overtime shall be credited per appearance day, at the rate of time and one-half. If the time required for court appearance shall exceed four hours, the officer shall be paid for actual time spent at the standard rate of overtime (time and one-half). This form shall be

prepared in duplicate. The original shall be forwarded by the commanding officer to the officer in charge of the section to which they belong and the duplicate shall remain with the requesting officer as a matter of record.

Section 12. Direct Deposit of Payroll & Electronic Distribution of Paystubs. If required by the City all payroll payments will be direct deposited in an account of the employee's choice in compliance with the guidelines established by the City of Kettering Finance Department. Paystubs may be distributed electronically.

Section 13. Call-In Pay. "Call-In Pay" is payment for work assigned by the Chief or their designee and performed by an employee at a time disconnected from their normal and prescheduled work hours. "Call-In Pay" does not apply to call-ins due to the employee's fault or negligence. Any employee who is called in for such work will receive a minimum of two (2) hours pay at the time and one-half rate, or in the case of a holiday, double time. If the call-in exceeds two (2) hours, the Command Officer shall be compensated at the time and one-half rate of pay for all hours worked or in the case of a holiday, double time.

Section 14. Acting Pay. A Command Officer shall receive 5% above the employee's regular hourly rate for working in a higher classification provided:

- 1) The employee is designated as "acting" in the higher classification by the Chief or their designee.
- 2) The employee is "acting" in the higher classification in excess of 80 consecutive working hours.
- 3) The employee must perform the majority of the higher classification job responsibilities.
- 4) The employee satisfying these conditions shall receive "acting" pay compensation beginning hour one and for all hours in excess of the first hour until the end of the "acting" designation. For example, a Command Officer that is designated as "Acting" in accordance with Article 7, Section 13, for 3 weeks (120 hours) effective March 1st will receive "Acting" pay for 120 hours beginning on March 1st unless the "Acting" pay designation is revoked prior to the end of the designation. In the event the designation is revoked prior to the qualifying 80 hours, no "Acting Pay" will be received. If the designation is revoked after the qualifying 80 hours, but prior to the end of the original designation only those hours already completed will be compensated as "Acting".

If the employee works overtime in their regular classification while designated as "acting" those hours will be compensated at the employee's regular classification hourly rate.

ARTICLE 8 - HOLIDAYS

Section 1. The following eleven days are recognized as paid holidays under this Agreement: New Year's Day; Martin Luther King Jr. Day (3rd Monday in January), Presidents' Day (3rd Monday in February); Memorial Day (last Monday in May); Juneteenth (If this holiday falls on a Saturday, the last regular workday of the preceding workweek shall be designated as the substitute holiday. If this holiday falls on a Sunday, the first regularly scheduled workday of the following workweek shall be designated as the substitute holiday); Independence Day; Labor Day; Thanksgiving Day (4th Thursday in November); December 24; Christmas Day; December 31.

Section 2. Holiday Time Off. All Command Officers in the department will normally be scheduled to work holidays when a part of their normal shift schedules. Up to two holidays per year for each Command Officer may be traded by the officer for two days off with regular pay to be scheduled by the Chief as available and taking the officer's desired dates into consideration. An officer may elect to work any day which has been scheduled as a traded day off if at least one week's written notice is given to the supervisor and the office of the Chief.

Section 3. Personal Leave Days. Each full-time employee shall be entitled to five days of paid personal leave annually. Such leave must be approved in advance by the City. Paid personal leave may be taken in not less than 30 minute increments and may not be accumulated or carried forward to another year. The Chief of Police or their designate will strive in good faith to grant personal leave days as requested, consistent with meeting the requirements of the working schedule, except that there shall be no obligation to give consideration to requests for personal leave made less than one hour before the beginning of the Command Officer's shift in which the personal leave time is requested. The City shall strive to notify the officer of the decision to approve or disapprove the leave as soon as reasonably possible after the request. No personal leave days having been approved will be cancelled except in cases of emergency as determined by the Chief of Police or a Command Officer acting in their absence.

ARTICLE 9 – VACATIONS

Section 1. Vacation leave will be accumulated for uninterrupted employment on the following basis:

Rate of Accumulation

<u>Length of Service</u>	<u>(Days per Month)</u>
Less than 5 years	0.83
Over 5 and up to 10 years	1.17
Over 10 and up to 15 years	1.50
Over 15 and up to 20 years	1.75
Over 20 years	2.08

Section 2. Vacation leave accrued and vacation leave taken will be accounted for on a vacation year basis. The vacation year extends from the first day of the pay period closest to October 1st of one calendar year through the last day of the pay period closest to September 30th of the following calendar year.

Section 3. A Command Officer may carry accumulated vacation leave forward to the next vacation year. The total amount of accrued leave carried forward will not, however, exceed 30 days at the beginning of any vacation year, except that when a Command Officer has provided the City with written notice of their commitment to retire on a specific date in which case no limit shall be placed on the accumulation of their vacation leave from the date of receipt of such notice of their retirement date or for the period of one year preceding their retirement date, whichever is shorter. Except as otherwise provided, accrued leave in excess of thirty days is dropped and lost on the last day of each vacation year.

Section 4. Vacation/Sick Leave. If a Command Officer is hospitalized while on vacation, they may change their status from "vacation" to "sick leave" for actual scheduled work days hospitalized.

Section 5. Priority Protection Scheduling. Requests for desired vacation dates are to be submitted by the end of January. Blocks of at least five consecutive days must be requested for preferred scheduling. The Police Chief will strive, barring emergencies, to assure such approved vacations, and will provide reasons for cancellation of any approved vacation. Command Officers canceling previously approved vacations will in turn also provide reasons for the cancellations.

Late Scheduling. All vacation requests submitted after the cut-off date will be at the discretion of the Police Chief as scheduling permits, but in any case must be in units of at least 30 minutes.

Section 6. Seniority. Conflicting vacation requests, if made by January 31, will be resolved by seniority. Seniority means rank and then time in rank.

ARTICLE 10A - SICK LEAVE, INJURY LEAVE, AND FUNERAL LEAVE

Section 1. All sworn Command Officers shall accrue sick leave at the rate of one and one-quarter days per month of service but not to exceed a total of 260 days.

Section 2. Sick leave may be used for absences due to illness, injury, or exposure to a contagious or communicable disease, or emergency due to serious illness of a member of the immediate family where the employee's presence is extremely essential, but a doctor's certificate to substantiate periods of three consecutive days or more may be required by the City, and may also be required for a period of one day in the following cases:

- a. If it is believed that an employee is malingering based upon repeated one or two day absences; or
- b. Multiple absences on a single day (5 or more employees).

Section 3. In case of any illness or other absence, the employee shall notify their department as soon as possible on the first day of absence unless it is impossible to do so, in which case notice shall be given as soon as possible. If the absence extends beyond one day, the employee shall make periodic reports to their department on their progress and anticipated date of return. Command Officers will be required to notify their department if possible at least one hour prior to their scheduled starting time so that replacement help may be provided. Failure to notify a department of the reason for absence may be grounds for refusal to pay leave.

Section 4. Nothing shall prevent the City from investigating sick leave.

Section 5. Fraction of a day. Absence for a fraction of a day is chargeable to sick leave in accordance with these provisions and shall be charged in amounts not smaller than 30 minutes.

Section 6. Reinstatement Credit. A Command Officer who is laid off will, upon reinstatement to service, have any unused sick leave existing at the time of their layoff placed to their credit.

Section 7. Transfer Credits. Upon transfer from one division or department to another, unused sick leave days shall continue to be available for the transferred employee's use.

Section 8. Funeral Leave. Leave with pay may be requested by a Command Officer when absence is required because of the death of a relative. Such leave may be granted for a period not to exceed five days for the death of a spouse, child, step child, parent or parent-in-law, three days when the death is within the immediate family (other than spouse, child, step child, parent or parent-in-law), and up to one full day for a more distant relative. A leave report form indicating relationship to the deceased will be submitted by the Command Officer at the earliest practical time. The Chief of Police is authorized to rule on such requests for paid leave. Immediate family is spouse, parent, child, brother, sister, mother-in-law, father-in-law, grandparent, grandparent-in-law, step child, grandchild, half-brother, half-sister, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, or other relative living in the same household. Brother-in-law and sister-in-law are defined as spouse's sibling or sibling's spouse. The Chief of Police, in their sole discretion, may extend the definition of immediate family to family members other than those specifically named or to persons who act in the role of those named in the immediate family.

Section 9. Payment of Accumulated Sick Leave at Death. One-half of the accumulated Sick Leave up to 260 days shall be paid to a designated beneficiary upon the death of a current employee. Such payment will be in a lump sum based upon the employee's hourly rate of pay at the time of death (excluding any premium pay). If there is no valid written designation of beneficiary on file, or if the designation is for any reason ineffective, the payment shall be made to the employee's estate except that the City may authorize the payment of such amount to any one or more of the following: the surviving spouse, adoptive parents, lineal descendants by adoption, or blood relatives of the employee, or a beneficiary to receive payments after the death of the employee under the State Retirement System, and any such payment shall be in complete discharge of liability with respect to the amount so paid.

Section 10. Payment for Accumulated Sick Leave at Retirement. At retirement, a Command Officer who has accumulated 50 or more days sick leave may convert one-third of all accumulated sick leave days in excess of 50 days and up through 260 days for a lump sum payment. This provision does not apply to service separations other than retirement.

Section 11. Birthing Parent Leave. Any pregnant regular full-time Sergeant or Lieutenant shall be entitled to birthing parent leave. The starting date and duration of birthing parent leave shall be determined by the City based upon the request of the employee and the recommendation of the employee's doctor. For birthing parent leave, as for any foreseeable leave due to disability, the employee shall notify the City as far in advance as is possible of the expected dates of the leave and City may require a medical examination by a physician acceptable to the City as a condition of approving or extending the leave or return to work. Any non-routine City-required examinations shall be paid in full by the City. Accumulated sick leave may be utilized by a regular full-time Sergeant or Lieutenant for that period of time the employee is temporarily disabled due to the employee's pregnancy.

Depending on the condition of the employee and consistent with recommendation provided by the employee's doctor, the City will assign the employee to other reasonably available duties in the department.

Section 12.

- A. Special Leave. Leave without pay for personal reasons may be granted by the City Manager or their designate upon request for periods not in excess of ninety calendar days. Employees absent due to illness may be granted such leave after sick leave has expired. Such leave may be extended or renewed beyond a total of ninety calendar days only upon the express approval of the City Manager or their designate. Upon return from such leave, the employee will be reinstated in their old position or one of equal grade subject to the same conditions with respect to layoff, etc., which are applicable to an active employee.
- B. Sick Leave Bank. In the event the City would implement a City-wide catastrophic sick leave bank during the term of this contract, Command Officers may participate in such a bank.

Section 13. Directed Care or Examination. If the City directs a Command Officer to go to a doctor or other facility for treatment, the doctor or facility shall be agreeable to both the Officer and the City.

ARTICLE 10B-MEDICAL AND DENTAL INSURANCE COVERAGE

Health and Dental Insurance. The City shall make available to all eligible employees and their dependents health insurance programs to include medical, prescription and dental coverage subject to the applicable carriers' requirements and eligibility. The plan coverage and premium as determined by the City will be the same as that provided to all non-bargaining unit employees. Deductibles, out-of-pocket maximums, and co-pay structures are components of plan design. As such they will be established by the City and will be the same as those for non-bargaining unit employees. The City has the right to insure or self-insure and to choose the insurance carriers, third-party administrators, network of physicians or providers, or any other operational components of the Medical and Dental Plans.

The City shall pay 90% and the employee shall pay 10% of the premium for the Dental Insurance Plan. If the City changes the premium for dental plan, the dental premium for these bargaining unit employees shall be the same as the non-bargaining unit employees.

The City shall pay 83% and the employee shall pay 17% of the premiums for the Medical Insurance Plan. If however, the City reduces the Medical Insurance Plan employee premium share below 17% for non-bargaining unit employees, such reduction shall also apply to the Command Officers.

The City will fund the employee's HSA at no less than 50% of the network deductible of the High Deductible Health Plan (other plans excluded).

The network deductible of the High Deductible Health Plan shall not exceed \$3000 for a single plan and \$6000 for a family plan.

HSA's will be funded quarterly on a prorated basis, under a banking arrangement selected by the City. The City will pay all routine charges for the banking arrangement such as set up charges and routine monthly fees, with the employee responsible for other charges such as overdrafts, checks and investment fees. Once placed in the employee's HSA, the money becomes the possession of the employee, and as such, money the employee does not spend in the HSA for medical expenses is carried forward for future years use and is the employee's to take with them at termination, as

authorized by then current IRS and other controlling state and federal regulations. Under circumstances where the employee does not have adequate funds in the HSA for expenses incurred before the end of the year, due to legitimate expenditures to meet the deductible, the City will contribute an amount to the account, at the employee's request, up to the annual City contribution limits specified above.

Employees joining the City mid-year, eligible for health insurance coverage, will be placed in a similar High Deductible Consumer Driven Health Plan, but may be enrolled in a Health Reimbursement Account (HRA) or Health Savings Account (HSA) at the discretion of the City. In the event the employee is placed in an HRA, amounts will be available for reimbursement similar to those specified for HSA accounts above. At the end of the year if enrolled in an HRA, any money not spent is retained by the City and the employee is thus enrolled in the HSA in the following year. The HRA system may also be used for other employees who do not qualify for the HSA under IRS provisions such as those enrolled in Medicare.

Employees in an HSA will have available a limited Flexible Spending Account (Limited FSA) with the option for them to contribute up to the maximum allowable limit under IRS provisions. Other controlling aspects of the FSA and health plans, such as timing of enrollment, are subject to provisions of the Medical Plan.

Employees eligible to receive City-provided medical insurance coverage, either a Family Plan or a Single Plan, may elect to decline such coverage and in lieu thereof receive cash payments from the City of \$3,000 per year. However, if the \$3,000 cash payment in lieu of coverage creates an affordability calculation penalty for the City and/or Cadillac excise tax liability under the Affordable Care Act, the City shall have the ability to then eliminate said cash payment.

In order to qualify for such cash payments, an employee must remain covered by other medical insurance that is not from the City, COBRA, Medicare or as a dependent under a parental plan, and must provide acceptable proof of such other medical insurance coverage to the City. The timing of when an employee may elect to receive such cash payments, in lieu of medical insurance coverage, is subject to provisions of the City's Medical Plan, Flexible Spending Account Plan Document and applicable provisions of IRS Section 125.

ARTICLE 10C-LIFE INSURANCE AND HEALTH AND SAFETY EXAMINATIONS

Section 1. Life Insurance. Similar to administration employees each employee will be provided a term life insurance policy in an amount equal to their base annual salary at the time of death, plus an equal amount for accidental death and dismemberment coverage. Similar to administration employees the City will permit employees to purchase additional life insurance coverage through payroll deduction. The rates and availability of this optional coverage shall be as specified by the insurance carrier selected by the City.

Section 2. Health and Safety Examinations.

A. In the interest of health, safety, or job performance, the City may require a medical or psychological examination of an employee. The City shall give reasons in writing to the employee for the required examination upon the employee's request. Any such examination shall be conducted by a licensed practitioner.

If, in the examiner's opinion, the employee's condition jeopardizes their health or safety, or

that of another employee, or renders their job performance unsatisfactory, the City may relieve the employee from active employment, and they will be eligible to use their accrued sick leave.

Any City-required examinations shall be paid in full by the City. Any time spent by the employee traveling to, from, and during the examination will be work time, subject to any applicable call-in or overtime pay. Any other time necessarily lost by the employee awaiting examination or results will be treated as administrative leave. If the results of the examination are that the employee is properly relieved from duty, this will be charged instead to accrued sick leave. The employee will be provided complete copies of all reports, findings and recommendations of the examiner.

B. At the employee's option, a "second opinion" medical or psychological examination may be conducted by a licensed practitioner of the employee's choice. Such examination will be paid for by the employee and time spent will not be subject to overtime provisions. Complete copies of all reports, findings and recommendations of the optional examination will be provided to the City.

C. If the opinions of the City's examiner and the employee's examiner are in conflict, either the City or the employee may appeal the determination to an examiner agreed upon by the first two. All relevant records and information will be made available to the third examiner, whose opinion shall be final as it relates to the specific issues originally prompting the first required examination. The cost of any third examination shall be shared equally between the City and the employee. Both the City and the employee shall receive complete copies of all reports, findings and recommendations of the third examiner.

D. If it is determined that the employee's medical or psychological condition did not jeopardize their health or safety, or that of other employees, or did not render their job performance unsatisfactory, all sick leave directed to be used will be reinstated to the employee and leave taken will be charged to paid administrative leave.

E. Employees returning from, or remaining on, leave of absence because of disability may be requested to participate in a medical or psychological examination subject to the above provisions and appeals. In such cases, the provision of reinstated sick leave provided in paragraph (D) of this Article shall be in effect the date of the first required examination for any employee who was then fit for duty.

ARTICLE 11 - PROBATIONARY PERIOD, PROMOTIONS

Section 1. Promotions. Promotions in the Classified Civil Service shall be made in accordance with the rules and provisions of the Kettering Civil Service Commission in compliance with the provisions of the Charter of the City of Kettering.

Section 2. Probation. Employees having received a promotion into or within the bargaining unit will be on probation the first 6 months of active continuous employment in the new position. This time may be extended by the City up to another 6 months of active continuous employment by mutual agreement of the Chief and the affected employee. During the probationary period or upon failure to pass the probationary period, the employee may return to their previous position, and the return will not be subject to the grievance or arbitration procedure. Nothing in this provision prohibits the City from taking just cause discipline or discharge action against a probationary employee.

ARTICLE 12 - LAYOFF AND RECALL

Section 1. Layoff and Recall. Layoffs and recalls shall be governed by the rules and regulations of the City's Civil Service Commission in effect on the effective date of this Agreement. The City will permit members of this bargaining unit to displace patrol officers, as permitted under

those rules and regulations.

Section 2. Notice of Restructuring. The City will notify the Union in writing, at least 60 days before the effective date, of the elimination of an entire rank within this bargaining unit. The City will give the same notice of any other major restructuring of the bargaining unit of a similar nature. The City will, upon request, meet and confer with the Union about the matter.

ARTICLE 13 - PERSONNEL FILES

Every officer shall be allowed to review the contents of their personnel file at all reasonable times upon written request. Memoranda clarifying and explaining alleged inaccuracies of any document in the file may be added to the file by the officer.

After a reprimand has been in a Command Officer's personnel file for a period of two years with a clean slate, the Command Officer may make a written request to the Chief of Police that it be removed. It shall be at the discretion of the Chief of Police to either honor or deny the Command Officer's request, however, no denial shall be unjust and arbitrary. The City may retain copies of removed reprimands to be used for purposes other than substantiating progressive discipline against that Command Officer or for correcting the record if a Command Officer seeks to avoid discipline which is otherwise justified by inaccurately claiming a work record of no discipline. Removed reprimands shall be sealed or similarly secured, accessible only through the City Manager, the Police Chief, or the Director of Human Resources.

ARTICLE 14 - GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

Section 1. Definition. A grievance is a complaint that the City has violated this Agreement. All grievances shall be handled exclusively as set forth in this procedure. Any discipline of record shall be fully subject to the procedures of this Article.

Section 2. Civil Service Matters. Discipline within the Civil Service's jurisdiction must be heard by the Commission before proceeding to arbitration. The decision of the Civil Service Commission in any disciplinary case shall not be appealable to court, and both the City and the Union (on behalf of itself and the employees it represents) waive those rights of appeal. Such a decision may be appealed by either side directly to an arbitrator appointed under Section 5 of this Article. The appeal must be filed in the manner and within the time specified in Section 5 of this Article, dating from the making of the Civil Service Commission's decision.

Section 3. Processing. All grievances must be processed at the proper step in the progression in order to be considered at the subsequent steps. An employee may withdraw a grievance at any point by submitting in writing a statement to that effect or by permitting the time requirements at any step to lapse without further appeal. Any grievance not answered by the City's representatives within the stipulated time limits may be advanced by the employee to the next step in the grievance procedure. All time limits may be extended by mutual consent.

Section 4. Steps. It is the mutual desire of the City and the Union to provide for the prompt adjustment of grievances in a fair and reasonable manner, with a minimum interruption of work schedules. Every reasonable effort shall be made by both the City and the Union to resolve grievances at the earliest step possible. In the furtherance of this objective, the following procedure shall be adhered to:

Step 1. In order for a grievance to receive consideration under this procedure, the

aggrieved employee, with an appropriate Union representative, if either desires, must present their signed grievance in writing to their Lieutenant (or, where supervised directly by a Captain or the Chief, then to that Captain or to the Chief) within 14 calendar days of the occurrence of the incident giving rise to the grievance. This may be extended to 14 calendar days after becoming aware of the incident, or, if earlier, the date the employee should have become aware of it, using reasonable diligence. In no case may a grievance be filed more than 30 calendar days after the occurrence. The Lieutenant (Captain or Chief) shall schedule a meeting with the grievant and their representative, if any. The Lieutenant (Captain or Chief) shall investigate and respond in writing to the grievant within 7 calendar days following the meeting.

Step 2. If the grievance remains unsettled, the employee may, if they wish to proceed further, appeal it in writing, signed, to the Captain within 7 calendar days after the supervisor's response. The Captain or their designee shall schedule a meeting between the parties. The Captain shall have 14 calendar days following the meeting in which to respond. This step will be omitted if Step 1 was before the Captain or Chief.

Step 3. If the grievance remains unsettled, the employee may, if they wish to proceed further, appeal it in writing, signed, to the Chief within 14 calendar days after a supervisor's response. The Chief or their designee shall schedule a meeting between the parties. The Chief shall have 14 calendar days following the meeting in which to respond. This step will be omitted if Step 1 was before the Chief.

Step 4. If the grievance remains unsettled, the employee may, if they wish to proceed further, appeal it in writing, signed, to the City Director of Human Resources within 14 calendar days after the Chief's response. The Director of Human Resources or their designee shall schedule a meeting between the parties. The Director of Human Resources shall have 14 calendar days following the meeting in which to respond.

Step 5. If the grievance remains unsettled, the employee may, if they wish to proceed further, appeal it in writing, signed, to the City Manager within 14 calendar days after the Director of Human Resources' response. The City Manager or their designee shall schedule a meeting between the parties. The City Manager shall have 14 calendar days following the meeting in which to respond.

Section 5. Arbitration. Within 30 calendar days of receipt of the response at Step 5, if the grievance is not resolved to the satisfaction of the grievant, the grievant, if they wish to proceed further, may file a written notice to the City of their request to submit the grievance to arbitration. The Union shall be the sole judge as to whether the case shall in fact be appealed to arbitration. If the Union wishes to do so, it must give its written notice of intent to the City within 30 calendar days after the employee has filed a timely request with the City. The arbitrator shall be selected under the rules of the American Arbitration Association, unless the City and the Union mutually agree upon an arbitrator. The decision and award of the arbitrator shall be final and binding on both the City and the Union. The arbitrator shall not have the power to add to or subtract from or to modify this Agreement. The arbitrator shall have no authority to rule on any jurisdictional dispute between this Union and another union or between employees represented by this Union or another union, or with other units of employees. The costs of the services of the American Arbitration Association and the arbitrator shall be paid equally by the City and the Union. Nothing in this section prevents the Union from seeking enforcement of any arbitration award in court of competent jurisdiction, provided all administrative remedies have been exhausted.

Section 6. Multiple Grievances. No more than one grievance shall be placed before an arbitrator at any one hearing and in no instance shall there be multiple (2 or more) grievances heard by any arbitrator unless it is mutually agreed to waive this provision.

Section 7. Content. All grievances must contain the following information to be considered:

1. Aggrieved employee's name and signature.
2. Aggrieved employee's classification.
3. Date grievance was filed in writing.
4. Date and time grievance occurred.
5. Where grievance occurred.
6. Description of incident giving rise to the grievance.
7. Sections of Agreement violated.
8. Desired remedy to resolve grievance.

Section 8. Class Grievances. A grievance may be brought by any member of the bargaining unit. Where a group of bargaining unit members desires to file a grievance involving a situation affecting each member in the same manner, one member selected by such group may process the grievance as a class action grievance, provided each employee desiring to be included in the class action grievance signs the grievance. If more than one employee is involved in a grievance or a group of similar grievances, one of them shall be selected as spokesperson. Any class action grievance shall be filed at Step 2 of the grievance procedures within the time limits of Step 1.

Section 9. Union Grievances. The Union, through its president or secretary-treasurer, may file grievances claiming violations of the recognition clause, the dues deduction clause, or any claimed violation of contract rights which accrues solely to the Union as a labor organization and not to individual employees. Such grievances shall be initially filed at Step 3 within the time limits of Step 1.

Section 10. Attendance. The employee filing the grievance may attend Steps 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 of the grievance procedure without loss of pay as a result of necessary attendance during regularly scheduled working hours. For a class action grievance or a group of similar grievances, one grievant shall be selected as spokesperson. Upon sufficient notice to and agreement of the City, necessary witnesses may attend Steps 1 through 5 without loss of pay as a result of necessary attendance at a grievance meeting. The City will not unreasonably withhold such agreement. The employee's representative (if a City employee) may also attend without such loss of pay at Steps 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5.

ARTICLE 15 - SELF-INCRIMINATION

Section 1. The City may require a member of the bargaining unit to submit a written report, either by rule or specific request, which may show or tend to show that the employee submitting the report has committed a crime, subject to the following:

- (1) The report may not be used at any stage (grand jury or trial) in any criminal proceeding against the employee.
- (2) The report may be used by the City in taking action and in defending such action, with

respect to discharge or discipline of the employee.

(3) This section shall not prohibit the criminal prosecution of the employee based upon evidence other than the report (to the extent that this is constitutionally permissible).

Section 2. A formal charge of misconduct shall, regardless of its point of origin, (a) be placed in writing, (b) specify the misconduct, and (c) disclose the witnesses to be relied upon (other than as rebuttal witnesses), except in cases in which the Chief determines that the identity of a witness shall be not disclosed in advance, in which case a continuance will not be opposed by the City once the identity is disclosed. C is satisfied if, 15 days before any Civil Service or arbitration hearing, the City provides a list of witnesses (other than rebuttal) that the City expects to call at the hearing. The Union or employee involved will have the same obligation. One party's failure to comply waives its right to complain if the other party fails to comply.

Where the Department has informed an employee they are being investigated for misconduct, and the investigation has taken more than 45 days from its beginning, the Department will, upon the employee's request, explain to the employee why the investigation has not been completed. The explanation, if requested, will occur 45 days after the investigation began or when the employee is informed of the investigation, whichever is later.

Section 3. Any reprimand of record shall be fully subject to the procedures of Article 14 if an appropriate timely grievance is initiated by the individual reprimanded. When an individual is to be reprimanded of record, they shall have the right, upon request, to have a representative of the Union present.

Section 4. Just Cause. The City may discipline or discharge Command Officers who have completed probation for just cause and only for just cause.

Section 5. Command Officers will not be required or ordered to sign any disciplinary form except to acknowledge receipt of that form. Command Officers, upon request, will be given a copy of any such form which they sign.

Section 6. Advance Information.

(1) Formal Hearings. A formal hearing is one before the Chief which can result in written findings by the Chief which could lead to a disciplinary suspension or discharge. In a formal hearing the City must give the officer a written charge of misconduct at least five days before the hearing.

If the officer requests it, the City will give them the following information at least five days before the hearing:

1. All documents, then in its possession, which the City plans to use at the hearing.
2. All other supporting documents, then in its possession, unless the Chief determines not to produce some or all of them. This withholding must not be arbitrary and unjust.

(2) Loudermill Hearing. A Loudermill Hearing is one which is necessary to comply with Loudermill requirements, but which cannot result in written findings pursuant to paragraph (a) above. Notification must comply with Loudermill requirements.

Section 7. Polygraph Examinations. Command officers may only be ordered to take a polygraph examination by the Chief of Police. The order to take the examination may not be unjust and arbitrary. In any arbitration or Civil Service hearing, relevant evidence that consists of the results of a polygraph examination which has been lawfully carried out by an accredited examiner may be excluded only if determined that the order was unjust and arbitrary.

These polygraph examinations will be run by a polygraph operator who is not a member of the Kettering Police Department, unless the officer and the Chief agree to it. When an employee is ordered to submit to a polygraph examination, the information gained cannot be used against the employee in any subsequent criminal proceedings.

Section 8. Performance Evaluations. Performance evaluations shall not be unjust and arbitrary. The signature of a Command Officer shall be required on performance evaluations. Such signing shall initially mean that the employee has received and read the evaluation. No subsequent evaluation comments may be made on record copies once signed by the employee. The performance evaluation is subject to the grievance procedure including arbitration.

Section 9. Personnel File. If a request is made to inspect and/or copy records within an employee's personnel file by an outside source, management shall provide written notification to the employee of the request as soon as practicable.

ARTICLE 16 - SUSPENSION FROM DUTY

Section 1. If a Command Officer is suspended from duty pending the completion of an investigation or awaiting a hearing (interim suspension), they shall continue to be paid at their wish normal base rate, providing they are available and capable of performing their full duties, until such time as they have had a hearing before the Chief of Police. The hearing before the Chief of Police may be on the full charges of the investigation or as a preliminary hearing to determine if there is a basis for the interim suspension to be without pay. The City will continue to pay its share of medical and life insurance premiums during the interim suspension or any disciplinary suspension.

Section 2. If a Command Officer receives a disciplinary suspension, they may request that they forfeit this time from their accrued vacation on an hour-for-hour basis instead of serving the actual suspension. The Chief, at their sole discretion, will determine if the Command Officer's request is approved. The Chief's determination must not be unjust and arbitrary. If such a request is made and approved, the suspension shall be deemed to have been accepted by the Command Officer and the Union, and the discipline shall not be appealable through the grievance procedure. The records shall reflect that a suspension occurred, and the discipline shall not be considered less severe than an actual suspension. The Chief's decision to approve or not approve the request is not appealable through the grievance procedure.

ARTICLE 17 - TUITION

Section 1. The City will pay 80% of the tuition costs for courses directly related to a permanent employee's current position or their preparation for promotion with a maximum payment of \$1,000 per year per employee.

Section 2. An employee is eligible for this assistance only when no other outside source of funding is available. Once the City has approved payment for tuition costs, such approval may not be withdrawn.

Section 3. Requests for educational assistance must be submitted by an employee to the City Manager through the Police Chief and the Director of Human Resources.

Section 4. If the employee's service with the City is terminated within two (2) years of completion of the course for any reason other than disability retirement, the City Manager may require that the employee return the City's outlay on a pro rata basis.

The City Manager may, in their sole discretion, authorize the advance of educational assistance for an employee from future years and formulate an arrangement for pay back to the City should the employee terminate their service with the City.

ARTICLE 18 - WAIVER

The parties acknowledge that during the negotiation which resulted in this Agreement, each had the unlimited right and opportunity to make demands and proposals with respect to any subject or matter not removed by law from the area of collective bargaining, and that the understanding and agreement arrived at by the parties after the exercise of the right and opportunity are set forth in this Agreement.

During the term of this Agreement, each party waives any right to request the other party to negotiate on any subject, except to the extent that this Agreement provides otherwise and agrees that it shall take no action to compel the other party to negotiate on any subject, except as is specifically provided for in Article 21 of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 19 - EFFECT OF LAWS

This Agreement is subject to all applicable laws, regulations or provisions of the United States, State of Ohio, the City of Kettering Charter, Kettering General Ordinances and Resolutions, and Kettering Civil Service Rules and Regulations. All provisions of this Agreement shall, where reasonably possible, be interpreted to comply with said laws, provisions, ordinances, regulations or applicable judicial decisions there under.

The City Council shall adopt no ordinances, resolutions, or other legislative matters in conflict with this Agreement. Neither the City Manager, nor the Chief of Police, nor their subordinates shall adopt or issue any rules, regulations, orders or other executive directive in conflict with this Agreement.

In the event that any provision of this Agreement is contrary to the law or any authority set forth above, it shall be of no further force and effect, but the remainder of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect. When either party feels that a provision has been invalidated, it will notify the other in writing. In any such event, and upon written request by either party, the parties to this Agreement shall meet at a mutually agreeable time in an attempt to modify the invalid provisions of this Agreement by good faith negotiations. Prior to any such meeting, the City may take action it should deem necessary in good faith to comply with the law. Any such action shall be subject to the grievance/arbitration procedures hereafter for the purposes of determining whether the City acted within the scope of the paragraph. By entering into this Agreement, or by making any reference to Chapter 4117 of the Ohio Revised Code, neither party in any way waives any claim that that law, or any part of them, may be unconstitutional or otherwise invalid.

Copies of written rules, regulations, Personnel Instructions, and/or orders or other matters

which affect working conditions, and any changes or modifications thereof shall be furnished to the Union.

ARTICLE 20 - RANDOM DRUG/ALCOHOL TESTING

In addition to the City's right to conduct Reasonable Suspicion Drug and Alcohol Testing, employees may be drug and alcohol tested randomly. Such random testing protocol shall begin 1/1/2016.

Employees will be randomly selected for unannounced drug and/or alcohol testing on an indiscriminate basis that assures that all employees shall have an equal chance of being selected; as a result, some employees may be tested more than once per year while other employees may not be tested at all. Testing may be administered up to 4 times each calendar year at the discretion of the City and 10% of the total pool shall be selected for each test date. When an employee is selected for a random drug and/or alcohol test, the employee shall promptly submit to such test(s). Sergeants and Lieutenants will be placed in the same pool as other Kettering Police Department employees that are subject to random testing. Except as provided herein, all random drug and/or alcohol tests will be provided at the cost of the City.

All employees sworn and non-sworn subject to random drug and/or alcohol testing shall be placed in a single pool of Police Department employees. The selected employees will be tested in the least disruptive manner and testing of selected employees shall occur during their assigned shifts on the date of the test(s).

The random drug and/or alcohol testing shall be conducted by a certified vendor of the City's choice. At a minimum, such vendor will be certified by the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), or certified by a DHHS recognized certification program, or Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services (SAMHSA), or certified by a SAMHSA-recognized certified program or any other future named agency that has jurisdiction over such standards. The screening panel and acceptable limits for random drug testing shall be consistent with the City's pre-employment screening panel and acceptable limits in place for Police Department personnel at the time the random drug/alcohol test is conducted.

No drug test shall be considered positive until it has been confirmed by a gas chromatography/mass spectrometry full scan test or its equivalent. If the initial drug test is positive for any controlled substance, a confirmation test shall be run on the same sample using the most accurate testing method reasonably available. An employee who tests positive may, at their own expense, have another test run on the same sample. If the analysis of the "primary" specimen confirms the presence of an illegal controlled substance, the employee has 72 hours to request that the "split" specimen be retested at the same lab or be sent to another certified laboratory for analysis, at the employee's expense. In the event that the "split" specimen sample reveals no confirmation of a controlled substance, the City will reimburse the employee for the cost of the "split" sample test.

Random alcohol testing shall be conducted by a BAT (Breath Alcohol Test). In determining positive or negative results or removal from performing safety sensitive functions/duties the City will adhere to the standards and guidelines established by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) or any other future named agency that has jurisdiction over such standards. Employees shall be provided with a copy of such results standards on an annual basis or more frequently in the case of modification of such standards by the applicable agency.

If an initial drug test is positive, an employee may be suspended pending receipt of the confirmation test. A positive alcohol and/or positive drug confirmation test shall be deemed a violation. If an employee refuses to submit to a drug and/or alcohol test; or has a positive alcohol test; or a positive drug confirmation test the City may initiate disciplinary action, up to and including dismissal subject to the just cause standard in Article 15 section 4.

If an employee has a positive drug and/or alcohol test on a test covered by this Article, the Union, the affected employee, and the City may enter into a “Last Chance Agreement.”

A positive random drug and/or alcohol test by itself will not result in a Kettering Police Department initiated prosecution. Information resulting from such tests will not be divulged except to the extent necessary to protect the legitimate interest of the City or to the extent required by law.

The Chief may adopt a General Order to administer the random drug and/or alcohol testing program so long as such Order is not in conflict with this Article.

ARTICLE 21- PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT ON RETIREMENT

Upon retirement in good standing from the Kettering Police Department, Command Officers may purchase their department sidearm or their off duty sidearm or both. Command Officers may purchase one sidearm for \$1 and the second sidearm for \$1 [Beware that purchase below fair market value may result in tax liability.]

ARTICLE 22 - DURATION


Section 1. Agreement Duration. This Agreement shall be in full force and effect through December 13, 2026. All provisions shall be effective from and after the date of signing, unless otherwise specified, or as soon after that as benefit coverage can be obtained in the normal course of business or as provided by law.


Section 2. If either the City or the Union desires to terminate, modify or negotiate a successor agreement, it shall serve written notice upon the other party of its desire not less than 90 days prior to the expiration date of this Agreement.


This Agreement originally signed the 15TH day of APRIL 2024.

Kettering Police Supervisors' Association


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