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**Union Proposal #1 – Wages**

**1) Wages**

A) See wage scales - [Union 1 Wage Scales - 2.25.25](#)

**All PT, Courtesy/Custodial, and Group 3**

PT scale starting at \$17.50 - 50 cents increase between steps for the first 2 years, 75 cents increase between after 2 years, \$1 increase between steps after 4 years

		Yr 1	Yr 2	Yr 3
Step 1	0-6 months	\$17.50	\$18.25	\$19.00
Step 2	6-12 months	\$18.00	\$18.75	\$19.50
Step 3	12-18 months	\$18.50	\$19.25	\$20.00
Step 4	18-24 months	\$19.00	\$19.75	\$20.50
Step 5	2-2.5 years	\$19.75	\$20.50	\$21.25
Step 6	2.5-3 years	\$20.50	\$21.25	\$22.00
Step 7	3-3.5 years	\$21.25	\$22.00	\$22.75
Step 8	3.5-4 years	\$22.00	\$22.75	\$23.50
Step 9	4-4.5 years	\$23.00	\$23.75	\$24.50
Step 10	4.5-5 years	\$24.00	\$24.75	\$25.50
Over & TOS yearly increase		\$2.00	\$2.75	\$3.50

Everyone slots in at least \$1 more than current rate of pay and progress every 6 months on the scale.

All EEs with more than 10 YOS place at TOS

\$2 differential: PT supervisor, MOD, Deli, Overnight (hours worked between 6pm and 6am), training, interpretation

Examples	Current Rate	3/2025	9/2025	3/2026	9/2026	3/2027	9/2027	Over 3 yrs
	\$15.00	\$17.50	\$18.00	\$19.25	\$19.75	\$21.25	\$22.00	\$7.00
	\$17.25	\$18.50	\$19.00	\$20.50	\$21.25	\$22.75	\$23.50	\$6.25
	\$18.00	\$19.00	\$19.75	\$21.25	\$22.00	\$23.50	\$24.50	\$6.50
	\$19.25	\$20.50	\$21.25	\$22.75	\$23.75	\$25.50	\$25.50	\$6.25
	\$21.00	\$22.00	\$23.00	\$24.75	\$24.75	\$31.00	\$31.00	\$10.00

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### **Full Time - Classified Assistant**

All Retail Specialists eliminated, reclassify as Classified Assistants and place into this scale at next highest wage rate at least \$1 more than current rate.

When a member is promoted from PT to FT, they slot into Step 1 of the Classified Assistant scale, or the next highest wage rate at least \$1 more than current rate.

		Yr 1	Yr 2	Yr 3
Step 1	0 - 1 yr	\$28.00	\$28.75	\$29.50
Step 2	1 - 2 yr	\$30.50	\$31.25	\$32.00
TOS	2 +	\$33.00	\$33.75	\$34.50
Over & TOS yearly increase		\$2.50	\$2.50	\$2.50

### **Traditional FT**

		Yr 1	Yr 2	Yr 3
		\$35.00	\$35.75	\$36.50
Over & TOS yearly increase		\$2.50	\$2.50	\$2.50

Assistant Department Managers\* will slot into this classification

\* For example: EEs who cover for Department Manager duties, such as: ordering, scheduling, training, etc.

### **Department Managers**

		Yr 1	Yr 2	Yr 3
		\$38.50	\$39.25	\$40.00
Over & TOS yearly increase		\$2.50	\$2.50	\$2.50

Additional departments added to this scale/classification: General Merchandise, Floral, Pricing, Gift, Online/Ecommerce

All Dept Managers considered Traditional FT

### **Head Meat Cutter**

		Yr 1	Yr 2	Yr 3
		\$40.00	\$40.75	\$41.50
Over & TOS yearly increase		\$2.50	\$2.50	\$2.50

### **Journeyman**

All Classified Assistants in the Meat Department who cut meat will convert to Journeymen [HOLD for proposal on all other classifications within the meat dept]

		Yr 1	Yr 2	Yr 3
		\$36.50	\$37.25	\$38.00
Over & TOS yearly increase		\$2.50	\$2.50	\$2.50

### **Meat Service Employee**

		Yr 1	Yr 2	Yr 3
		\$33.00	\$33.75	\$34.50
Over & TOS yearly increase		\$2.50	\$2.50	\$2.50

### **FT Maintenance**

		Yr 1	Yr 2	Yr 3
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	\$33.00	\$33.75	\$34.50
Over & TOS yearly increase	\$2.50	\$2.50	\$2.50

#### **Employer Response to Union Proposal 1 (2.25.26)**

Cub counterproposes wages and classifications as set forth in the attached wage grids, with wage changes to be effective as of the Sunday prior to contract ratification.

The following language from the 2023-2025 contract to be maintained:

- Food Handlers and Pharmacy Employees shall receive not less than ten cents (\$.10) above federal state, city or county minimum wage, whichever is higher, during the term of this agreement.

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### Cub Proposed Wages and Classifications – Meat Employees

Classification	Minimum Rate
Head Meat Cutter	\$32.44
Journeyman	\$31.44
Modified PT Meat Cutter	\$21.00

#### Apprentices

Time worked	Minimum Rate
0-6 months	\$20.00
6-12 months	\$21.00
12-18 months	\$22.00
18-24 months	\$23.00
Thereafter	\$31.44

#### Meat Helper (includes Service Employees)

Time worked	Minimum Rate
0-6 months	\$16.00
6 -12 months	\$16.50
1-2 years	\$17.00
2-3 years	\$18.00
3-4 years	\$19.00
4-5 years	\$20.00
5 years and over	\$30.32

Employees who are at the top or above scale will receive the following increases:

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Head Meat Cutter	\$0.75	\$0.75	\$0.75	\$0.75
Journeyman	\$0.75	\$0.75	\$0.75	\$0.75
Meat Helper/Service Employees	\$0.65	\$0.65	\$0.65	\$0.65

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**Cub Proposed Wages and Classifications – Full Time Employees**

<b>Classification</b>	<b>Minimum Rate</b>
Assistant Manager	\$31.33
Produce Department Head	\$31.33
Frozen Food Department Head	\$31.33
Bookkeeper or Head Cashier	\$31.33
Delicatessen Department Head	\$31.33
Company Designated (up to 5 per store)	\$31.33

**Full-Time Food Handlers and Pharmacy Employees**

<b>Time worked</b>	<b>Minimum Rate</b>
0-6 months	\$16.00
6-12 months	\$16.50
1-2 years	\$17.00
2-3 years	\$18.00
3 -4 years	\$19.00
4-5 years	\$20.00
5-6 years	\$25.00
6 years and over	\$30.33

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**Cub Proposed Wages and Classifications – Full Time Employees (cont’d)**

**Classified Assistants**

<b>Time worked</b>	<b>Minimum Rate</b>
Start -one year	\$18.00
1-2 years	\$19.00
2-3 years	\$20.00
3-4 years	\$21.00
4-5 years	\$22.00
5-6 years	\$25.15
Over 6 years	\$28.33

**Full-Time Maintenance**

<b>Time worked</b>	<b>Minimum Rate</b>
0-6 months	\$14.00
6-12 months	\$14.50
1-2 years	\$15.00
2-3 years	\$15.50
3 -4 years	\$16.00
4-5 years	\$16.50
5+ years	\$24.93

**Employees who are at the top or above scale will receive the following increases:**

	<b>Effective upon ratification*</b>	<b>3/7/2026</b>	<b>3/6/2027</b>	<b>3/4/2028</b>
Assistant Manager	\$0.75	\$0.75	\$0.75	\$0.75
Produce Department Head	\$0.75	\$0.75	\$0.75	\$0.75
Frozen Food Department Head	\$0.75	\$0.75	\$0.75	\$0.75
Bookkeeper or Head Cashier	\$0.75	\$0.75	\$0.75	\$0.75
Delicatessen Department Head	\$0.75	\$0.75	\$0.75	\$0.75

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Company Designated	\$0.75	\$0.75	\$0.75	\$0.75
Full-time Food Handlers & Pharmacy	\$0.70	\$0.70	\$0.70	\$0.70
Classified Assistant	\$0.65	\$0.65	\$0.65	\$0.65

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**Cub Proposed Wages and Classifications – Part Time Employees**

	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Contract Minimum</b>
Step 1	Hire – 700 hours	\$13.75
Step 2	Next 700 hours	\$14.00
Step 3	Next 700 hours	\$14.50
Step 4	Next 700 hours	\$15.00
Step 5	Next 700 hours	\$15.50
Step 6	Next 700 hours	\$16.00
Step 7	Next 700 hours	\$16.75
Step 8	Next 700 hours	\$17.25
Step 9	Next 700 hours	\$18.00
Step 10	Next 700 hours	\$18.75
Step 11	Next 700 hours	\$19.50
Step 12	Next 700 hours	\$20.25

**Employees who are at the top or above scale will receive the following increases:**

	<b>Effective upon ratification*</b>	<b>3/7/2026</b>	<b>3/6/2027</b>	<b>3/4/2028</b>
All Part-Time	\$0.45	\$0.45	\$0.45	\$0.45

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### **Union Proposal #2 – Retirement**

#### **2) Retirement - Legacy Pension, Variable Annuity Pension (VAP), 401(k)**

[See Union Exhibits](#)

##### **A) Legacy Pension**

1. The Rehabilitation Plan Update will adopt Reasonable Measures to enable the Fund to emerge from Critical Status in March 2040.
2. Based on an emergence date of 2040, the annual contribution rate increases effective beginning March 2025 will be 7.5% as calculated by the Fund actuary, Segal, in their February 6, 2025 report to the Board of Trustees, based on a 7.0% annual investment return.
3. Further, the Rehabilitation Plan Update will contain an annual floor dollar contribution requirement that must be contributed by each employer for each March 1 through February 28 period, effective March 1, 2025, that reflects the applicable contribution rate increase and the projected hours assumed by Segal for the Plan year ending February 2024. These annual floor dollar amounts were calculated by Segal under Scenario D5 in their February 6, 2025 report to the Board of Trustees based on 67,600 full-time weeks and 63,900 part-time weeks.

This annual floor dollar amount provision will be administered as follows: As soon as practicable after the end of each fiscal year, the Fund will determine whether each Employer contributed at least the floor amount for that 12-month period. Each Employer's share of the annual floor dollar amount will be based on the annual Estimated Withdrawal Liability for Individual Employers report prepared by Segal (the most recent report was issued January 8, 2025). If the Employer did not contribute at least the floor dollar amount, The Fund will send the Employer a "true up" invoice for the difference between the floor amount and the actual contributions paid. The Employer will pay the true-up amount in a lump sum within 30 days of its receipt of the invoice. If the Employer's actual contributions exceed the floor amount, there will be no credit or refund to the Employer.

4. If, due to market events, Segal projects the Fund will become insolvent in the future as opposed to emerging from Critical Status, the bargaining parties shall reopen the contract for the sole purpose of negotiating an appropriate adjustment to the contribution rates to allow for emergence from Critical Status in the future rather than projected insolvency.

##### **B) Variable Annuity Pension Plan**

1. The 3.0% Cap on annual benefit improvement adjustments is removed effective January 1, 2025.

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2. The accrual rate will increase from \$35.00 to \$39.50 for UNFI participants effective January 1, 2025.
3. The accrual rate will increase from \$25.00 to \$28.00 for all other participants effective January 1, 2025.
4. These benefit improvements require no increases in the current Employer contribution rates because of the current funding status of the VAPP and the magnitude of the Fund's Stabilization Reserve.
5. All Employers that previously withdrew from the MRMC Pension Fund prior to January 1, 2019 but continue to participate in the MRMC Health Plan will begin participation in the VAPP effective January 1, 2025. The Employer's contribution obligation to the VAPP will be the difference between the previously required contribution to the MRMC Pension Fund and the current employer contribution to the individual Employer's 401 (k) plan. For example, if the MRMC Pension Fund contribution before withdrawal was \$2.00 per hour and the employer now contributes \$1.00 per hour to a 401 (k) plan, the Employer shall contribute no less than \$1.00 per hour to the VAPP on behalf of applicable employees. Such employees shall continue to be covered by their Employer's 401 (k) plan at the current negotiated rates.

### **C) Establish Multi-Employer Defined Contribution Plan**

1. All FT and PT can participate - includes Modified PT, Regular PT, Custodial / Courtesy (no longer an issue after conversion to Regular PT)

### **Employer Response to Union Proposal 2 (02.26.25)**

Employer counterproposes to modify Article 14 as set forth below:

#### **Article 14: Pension**

- (A)** The Minneapolis Retail Meat Cutters and Food Handlers Pension Fund (the Legacy Plan) will be frozen for all accrued benefits after February 28, 2019. Existing Legacy Plan participants will continue to earn vesting service and credited service for benefit eligibility purposes pursuant to the terms of this Article.
- ~~**(B)** The Employer and Union will make a request to the board of trustees of the Legacy Plan to adopt IRC Section 432(b), Section 4, of the Multiemployer Pension Reform Act of 2014 (MPRA), which will allow the Legacy Plan to accelerate its certification into Critical Status (Red Zone) for fiscal plan year 2018.~~
- (C)** The Employer and Union agree to a Rehabilitation Plan schedule for the Legacy Plan that requires Employer contributions to increase by **5.0% effective March 2, 2025; 5.0% effective March 1, 2026; 5.0% March 7, 2027; and 5.0% March 5, 2028.** ~~6% effective March 5, 2023 and 6% effective March 3, 2024. The Employer also will contribute \$2,643,633.42 million to the Legacy Plan by a~~

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~~redirect of contributions from the MPMC Health Fund effective for the contribution month beginning April 2, 2023, payable to the Legacy Plan in May 2023, and continuing thereafter until the redirection amount attributable to the Employer is fully paid, at which time the redirection shall cease.~~ The Employer shall continue to make contributions to the Legacy Plan for all active employees in classifications for whom they have previously made contributions to the Legacy Plan and for future active newly hired employees (who are in classifications for whom contributions have been made under the Legacy Plan pursuant to the prior CBA) who are participants in the Variable Annuity Plan (VAP) Plan. In addition, the 30 year and out pension benefit will be eliminated with respect to accrued benefits, as allowed under the Rehabilitation Plan after February 28, 2019. Specifically, ~~and not including the above-referenced redirect,~~ the employer contribution rates to the Legacy Plan will increase according to the following schedule:

Pre-March 2023 <del>2025</del> Contribution Rates	Effective March <del>2, 2025</del> 2023	Effective March <del>1, 2026</del> 2024	<u>Effective March 7, 2027</u>	<u>Effective March 5, 2028</u>
Full-time: <del>\$149.13</del> <b>\$167.56</b> per week	<del>\$158.08</del> <b>\$175.94</b>	<del>\$167.56</del> <b>\$184.73</b>	<b>\$193.97</b>	<b>\$203.67</b>
Part-time: <del>\$48.64</del> <b>\$54.65</b> per week	<del>\$51.56</del> <b>\$57.38</b>	<del>\$54.65</del> <b>\$60.25</b>	<b>\$63.26</b>	<b>\$66.43</b>

The Full-time Contribution Rate amounts referred to in this Article shall be paid on behalf of all applicable employees as defined above for each week when such employee has worked thirty-two (32) or more hours or thirty (30) or more hours (for those employees on the four (4)-ten (10) hour workweek) excluding hours worked on Sundays and holidays, except for floating and banked holidays.

The Part-time Contribution Rate amounts referred to in this Article shall be paid on behalf of all applicable employees as defined above (excluding retirees who are receiving a UFCW Local 653 pension, Clean Team and Group 3 part-time employees) who have worked less than thirty-two (32) hours per week (excluding hours worked Sundays and on holidays).

- (D) Active employees with 30 years of service as of February 28, 2019, are a protected group, and will not be affected by the elimination of the 30 and out benefit in Paragraph (C) above.
- (E) The Employer and Union agree to establish a Variable Annuity Plan (VAP Plan) for future service benefits effective January 1, 2019. Employers will make contributions to the VAP Plan for all current active employees and future active newly hired employees in classifications for whom contributions have been made under the prior CBA. The following Employer contribution rates will be made to the VAP Plan:

Weekly Contribution Rates	Effective <u>March 2, 2025</u> <del>January 1, 2022</del>
Full-time:	\$52.36
Part time:	\$19.43

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**(F)** All current active and future active employees (excluding Group 3 Part-time, Clean Team and Retirees who are receiving a Legacy Plan pension) are eligible for coverage under the VAP Plan. All current active employees will bridge their vesting service between the Legacy Plan and the VAP Plan.

In the event that a modified part-time or regular part-time employee, on whose behalf a Legacy pension contribution was being made, retires, quits, or is terminated and is not replaced, then the Employer will pay a contribution on behalf of the most senior Group 3 part-time employee at the rate in Paragraph (C) above. The intent of this provision is to maintain Legacy pension funding for the life of this contract. This provision will not be applicable however in the event of a store closure.

**(G)** The annual benefit accrual of the VAP Plan for employees will be as follows:

	Effective January 1, 2019	Effective January 1, 2020	Effective January 1, 2021	Effective January 1, 2022
VAP Accrual Rate	\$26.25	\$28.75	\$32.50	\$35.00

The service and vesting provisions of the VAP Plan will be the same as the Legacy Plan. The death benefit and disability benefits of the VAP Plan will be the same as the Legacy Plan. The forms of retirement benefit options of the VAP Plan will be the same as the Legacy Plan.

**(H)** The Normal Retirement Age of the VAP Plan will be age 65. Eligibility for Early Retirement will be the same as the Legacy Plan with benefits reduced 6.0% per year for each year of retirement commencement prior to Normal Retirement Age. For example, if a pension-eligible employee retires at age 61, the employee’s pension benefit shall be reduced by 24% ((retirement commenced 4 years prior to age 65) x 6% reduction per year).

**(I)** All accrued annual benefits in the VAP Plan will be adjusted annually based on investment performance benchmarked to a hurdle rate of 5.5%.

**(J)** Annual increases in accrued benefits will be capped at 3.0% above the hurdle rate. Any surplus increase in fund revenue based on investment performance above the 3.0% capped annual benefit adjustment will be allocated to a Stabilization Reserve. The purpose of the Stabilization Reserve is to support the maintenance of accrued benefits (for both actives and retirees) in years in which the investment return is less than the hurdle rate and which would normally cause a decrease in the accrued benefit. The Stabilization Reserve will be governed by the board of trustees of the VAP Plan according to the intent of this paragraph.

**(K)** Upon retirement, employees eligible for pension benefits pursuant to the VAP Plan will have the option to choose whether (1) their retirement benefits will be fixed as of the date of their retirement, or (2) their retirement benefits will continue to vary annually based on investment

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performance. For employees who leave their employment for any reason prior to retirement, the accrued benefits will remain variable until retirement, at which point the employee may choose whether (1) their retirement benefits will be fixed as of the date of their retirement, or (2) their retirement benefits will continue to vary annually based on investment performance.

**(L)** An Employer may withdraw from the Legacy Plan during the term of this Agreement and pay its allocated withdrawal liability, as long as it continues to participate in the VAP Plan pursuant to the terms of the collective bargaining agreement.

~~**(M)** The Employer and the Union agree that during the term of this contract the parties will convert the Legacy Plan and VAP Plan Weekly Contribution Rates set forth above to an Hourly Composite Contribution Rate, to be effective with the employer's contribution payments for January 2019 to the VAP Plan and effective with the March 2019 payments for the Legacy Plan per the Plan Board of Trustees policy and as bargained.~~

~~The Board of Trustees will vote on a plan contribution conversion policy no later than October 31, 2018. The hourly composite contribution rates will be equivalent to what the weekly contribution rates would have been for the same time periods. Such policy must protect the financial integrity of the two plans and treat the converting employers fairly and equitably.~~

~~The collective bargaining agreement will be revised to state the hourly composite contribution rates and procedures once they are adopted by the board of trustees.~~

~~**(M)(N)** The Employer agrees that it will make available to employees who have completed the probationary period the option to contribute to an Employer-sponsored 401(k) retirement savings plan or have the option to offer a Roth Plan, subject to the conditions and requirements of that plan. It is understood that the Employer itself will have no obligation to make contributions to this plan on behalf of any employee or to match any contributions to such plan which may be made by any employee. The sole purpose of this provision is to provide employees with an advantageous opportunity to set aside personal funds for retirement savings.~~

**(N) The Employer is not required to make contributions to the Legacy Plan or VAP Plan after termination of employment (e.g. on vacation pay-outs after termination).**

**(O) The trustees shall provide the Employer and Union quarterly updates.**

**(P) The Employer and Union agree to direct the trustees to conduct RFPs commensurate with the vendors' next contract renewal.**

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### **Union Proposal #3 – Health and Welfare**

#### **3) Health & Welfare**

[See Union Exhibits](#)

- A) [Replacement language](#) as provided by the Union for FT and PT eligibility
  
- B) Health Fund Reserves, Benefit Improvements and Shorter Waiting Period for Part-time
  - 1. The net asset reserves shall be reduced from the current 11.4 months of continuation value to 7.8 months of continuation value by February 2028. The Fund consultant, Segal, has informed us that 7.8 months of continuation reserve is a prudent and appropriate reserve for this Fund.
  - 2. Initially, Fund assets will be reduced in the first two months of the new agreement beginning March 1, 2025 by an employer contribution holiday estimated to be equal to \$5.8 million. Employers shall begin paying breakeven contribution rates determined by Segal in their report dated February 21, 2025 as soon as the contribution holiday concludes. During the holiday period, the employers shall continue to submit reports to the Fund Office reflecting those employees eligible to receive coverage and such employees shall be eligible to receive coverage notwithstanding the holiday.
  - 3. The break even contribution rates account for the following benefit improvements:
    - a. Vision exams covered at 100% effective January 1, 2026.
    - b. Dental annual maximum increased from \$1,250 to \$2,000 effective January 1, 2026.
    - c. The Medical deductible shall be reduced from \$750/\$2,250 to \$500/\$1,500 effective January 1, 2026.
    - d. The Medical Out-of-Pocket Maximum will be reduced from \$3,000/\$6,000 to \$2,500/\$5,000 effective January 1, 2026.
    - e. The Employer will fund a Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA) effective March 1, 2025 by contributing \$10.00 per week or \$43.33 per month per eligible employee. Employees can use their HRA account assets to pay for out-of-pocket expenses that they incur relating to claims otherwise covered by the Fund.
  - 4. The Employer shall make monthly contributions to the Fund on a composite basis. Such contributions shall reflect a waiting period of 6 months for part-time employees and the load factor for composite monthly contributions shall be adjusted by Segal to reflect the shorter waiting period.

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5. The Employer shall cooperate with the Fund Office in providing the Fund Office with eligible employee information to allow for enrollment to be conducted by the Fund Office during periods of open enrollment and as employees become eligible for coverage during the year.

### **Employer Response to Union Proposal 3 (02.26.25)**

Employer counterproposes to modify Article 15 as set forth below:

#### **Article 15: Health and Welfare**

- (A) Health & Welfare Fund:** The Minneapolis Retail Meat Cutters and Food Handlers Health and Welfare Fund (the "Fund") is jointly administered by Union Trustees and Employer Trustees. The Employer is bound by the existing Trust Agreement covering the Fund and any amendments thereto to the extent they do not conflict with this Agreement. The Employer agrees to pay into the Fund contributions on behalf of any employee who meets the eligibility criteria outlined below. The benefit plans are as agreed upon by the Employer Trustees and Union Trustees and will remain in effect for the life of the Agreement except as may be modified by agreement of a majority of the Board of Trustees, which shall not conflict with the eligibility terms of this Agreement.
- (B) Benefit Commencement:** Newly eligible employees that elect coverage specified in Article 15(D) under the Minneapolis Retail Meat Cutters and Food Handlers (MRMC) Health and Welfare Plan (the "H&W Plan") shall have coverage commence the first day of the calendar month following the calendar month the Fund receives contributions on the employee's behalf.
- (C) Benefit Elections:** The H&W Plan Administrator shall administer the benefit election process directly with employees for newly eligible employees, open enrollment, and qualified mid-year election changes. Newly eligible employees shall have 30 days to make their benefit elections from the date they begin employment in an eligible classification.
- (D) Benefit Coverage Options:**
  - Full-time employees are eligible to elect one of the following tiers of coverage: Single, Single and Spouse, Single and Child(ren), or Family.
  - Modified part-time employees are eligible to elect one of the following tiers of coverage: Single or Single and Child(ren). Employees who wish to purchase Single and Child(ren) coverage will be required to contribute the difference in premiums between Single and Single and Child(ren) coverage with the Employer's contribution capped at the Single coverage rate.
  - All other part-time employees (including courtesy and custodial employees) are eligible to elect Ancillary benefits (e.g., Doctor on Demand, Dental, Vision, Life, and AD&D) that provide single coverage for themselves.



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**(E) Open Enrollment:** Pursuant to the H&W Plan rules, eligible employees will annually have the opportunity to elect or change coverage under the H&W Plan effective the following January 1. Should an eligible employee elect or change coverage during the annual open enrollment period, the Employer must begin contributions in December, so long as the employee had actual hours worked in November, for coverage to begin January 1. Employees who are already enrolled and do not need to modify their coverage election in H&W Plan do not need to take any action during the annual open enrollment period to continue their existing coverage. Open enrollment for Health & Welfare and Ancillary benefits will occur annually. The H&W Plan Administrator shall notify the Employer of all new or changed benefit elections no later than October 15.

**(F) Qualifying Life Event:** Pursuant to the H&W Plan rules, eligible employees will have the opportunity to elect or change coverage under the H&W Plan should they experience a qualifying life event in accordance with applicable law.

**(G) Benefit Contributions:** The Employer agrees to contribute to the Fund for employees electing coverage on the basis of employee classification as follows:

- **Full-Time:** Full-time employees for each week the employee actually worked, was on FMLA, or received compensation required by this Agreement for vacation, bereavement leave, jury duty, or holidays; with contributions commencing in the first full week of the first month following the month the employee was hired or moved into that classification.
- **Modified Part-Time:** Modified part-time employees for each week the employee actually worked, was on FMLA, or received compensation required by this Agreement for vacation, bereavement leave, jury duty, or holidays; with contributions commencing in the first full week of the first month following the month the employee was hired or moved into that classification.
- **Ancillary:** All other part-time (including courtesy and custodial employees) for each week the employee actually worked, was on FMLA, or received compensation required by this Agreement for vacation, bereavement leave, jury duty, or holidays; with contributions commencing the first full week of the second month following the month the employee was hired or moved into that classification.
- The Employer may, at its option, begin contributing to the Fund earlier than required so as to provide coverage sooner than as prescribed above.

Benefit contribution rates are as follows:

### Weekly Health & Welfare Cost

Effective first reporting period following ratification	Employer Cost	Employee Cost	Total Benefit Cost	Employer %	Employee %
FT	\$267.82	\$20.00	\$287.82	93.1%	6.9%
Modified PT – Single Only	\$158.84	\$10.00	\$168.84	94.1%	5.9%

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Ancillary	\$5.76	\$1.00	\$6.76	85.2%	14.8%

Effective 1/1/2026	Employer Cost	Employee Cost	Total Benefit Cost	Employer %	Employee %
FT – Single	\$148.73	\$16.53	\$165.26	90.0%	10.0%
FT – Single + Spouse	\$304.91	\$33.88	\$338.79	90.0%	10.0%
FT – Single + Children	\$297.47	\$33.05	\$330.52	90.0%	10.0%
FT – Family	\$513.13	\$57.02	\$570.15	90.0%	10.0%
Modified PT – Single Only	\$148.73	\$16.53	\$165.26	90.0%	10.0%
Ancillary	\$6.70	\$0.75	\$7.45	90.0%	10.0%

Effective 1/1/2027	Employer Cost	Employee Cost	Total Benefit Cost	Employer %	Employee %
FT – Single	\$148.73	\$16.53	\$165.26	90.0%	10.0%
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Effective 1/1/2028	Employer Cost	Employee Cost	Total Benefit Cost	Employer %	Employee %
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A pre-tax plan for employee contributions will be implemented by the Employer. If an employee at any time ceases to allow the Company to deduct the employee's share of the Fund contributions the Company will no longer be required to make contributions to the Fund on the employee's behalf. The Employer and employee will not have to pay contributions into the Fund should the employee not elect benefit coverage.

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The Employer shall not be responsible for any additional benefit costs for the term of this Agreement.

- (H) Termination of Contribution at Employment Separation:** Upon end of employment, regardless of reason (e.g. retirement, layoff, termination), the final contribution remitted to the Fund on the former employee's behalf shall be in the calendar month following the month in which the employee last incurred actual hours worked.
- (I) Remittance:** The Employer will remit contributions to the Fund each month on the date specified by the H&W Plan Administrator. The Employer will collect the Employee contribution for each week an employer contribution is due if the Employee was given a paycheck for the payroll period with sufficient net earnings to pay the Employee contribution. If the Employer did not issue a paycheck to the employee or the employee's paycheck does not have sufficient net earnings to pay the employee contribution, then the employee is responsible for remitting the employee contribution directly to the Fund.

### **Union Proposal #4 – Employee Discount**

#### **4) Employee Discount**

- A) Employee Discount 30% for all items

### **Employer Response to Union Proposal 4 (02.26.25)**

Current Employer policy allows 10% discount for all private label.

### **Union Proposal #5**

#### **5) Employer provided meal from store during meal period**

### **Employer Response to Union Proposal 4 (02.26.25)**

Employer is unable to accommodate the wide range of dietary preferences and allergies. In addition, there are shifts during which prepared food is not being sold. As a result, Employer is not able to accept this proposal.

### **Union Proposal #6**

#### **6) Scheduling and Hours**

- A) Decrease minimum available hours required for all full-time and part-time employees

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- B) Employees on any form of leave or time off, paid or unpaid, shall not count towards a department's allotted labor hours & discuss adequate staffing levels [*HOLD for future proposals*]
- C) Flexibility for department heads to schedule according to the needs of each department and store, with equitable assignment of night shifts based on seniority and employee's availability
- D) Discuss PT scheduling to improve work-life balance, retention and hiring [*HOLD for future proposals*]
- E) 1 guaranteed consistent day off every week
- F) Limit number of consecutive scheduled shifts to 7
- G) Consistent weekly hours
  - 1. All part-time employees guaranteed 24 hours per week, unless waived by employee
- H) Breaks
  - 1. Starts after food acquired and paid at store
  - 2. Employer scheduling practices to avoid providing breaks - **Employees will not be scheduled within 30 minutes of any 3-hour increment, for example an employee cannot be scheduled for 5 hrs and 45 min (15 minutes short of a 6-hour shift)**
- I) Scheduling stability [*HOLD for future proposals*]
- J) Attendance policy & grace period [*HOLD for future proposals*]
- K) **Employer shall supply to the Union an electronic copy of work schedules weekly. Entire weekly schedules for all associates and departments shall be provided in Excel spreadsheets and emailed as attachments to the Union. - standardize across all contracts**

### Employer Response to Union Proposal 6 (02.26.25)

The employer will respond to proposals B, D, I, and J when specific proposals are made by the union. In addition, the employer only has one contract for a single bargaining unit with the union. Otherwise, the employer responds to these proposals as set forth below:

- A. The employer believes that the minimum hours for each classification already work for the business and the employees.
- B. [See above.]
- C. The contracts already provide that the Employer will make an effort to provide consistent scheduling for all part-time employees that is consistent with the Employers business needs and part-time employees' availability. In addition, part-time employees have the right to have their schedules temporarily changed to accommodate their personal needs, providing they give management two (2) weeks advance notice.
- D. [See above.]
- E. The contracts already provide that the Employer will make an effort to provide consistent scheduling for all part-time employees that is consistent with the Employers business needs and part-time employees' availability. In addition, part-time employees have the right to have their schedules temporarily changed to accommodate their personal needs, providing they give management two (2) weeks advance notice.
- F. The contracts already provide that all full-time and part-time employees who have worked a complete shift shall be given a minimum of eight (8) hours break before their next shift.

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- G. The employer believes that the minimum hours for each classification already work for the business and the employees. The employer is also confused as to how this proposal aligns with Proposal A – lowering the minimum availability requirements for employees while also requiring the employer to schedule employees for additional hours.
- H. The employer provides for a paid rest period of fifteen (15) minutes for any three hours worked.
- I. [See above.]
- J. [See above.]
- K. The employer already provides this information on a weekly basis to the union.

### **Union Proposal #7**

#### **7) Ratios - The Employer shall reach at least:**

- A) 40% FT ratio by the end of this CBA (Employer shall make all necessary Fund contributions)
- B) 40% PT Modified ratio by the end of this CBA (Employer shall make all necessary Fund contributions)
- C) Increase PT top 24% to 30%

### **Employer Response to Union Proposal 7 (02.26.25)**

The employer believes the current classification ratios in the contract remain appropriate for the business and the workforce.

### **Union Proposal #8**

#### **8) Wage Differentials**

- A) PT Supervisor - \$2.00 shift differential for all hours scheduled for the shift
- B) MOD - \$2.00 shift differential for all hours scheduled for the shift
- C) Assistant Department Head classified as Traditional Full-time
- D) Deli - \$2.00 shift differential for all hours scheduled for the shift
- E) All hours worked between 6pm and 6am - \$2.00 shift differential for all hours scheduled for the shift
- F) Training new hires - Employees who train or shadow new hires will receive a \$2.00 differential for all hours scheduled for the shift
- G) Interpretation - \$2.00 shift differential for all hours scheduled for the shift**

### **Employer Response to Union Proposal 8 (02.26.25)**

See employer's counteroffer on wages; in addition, the employer counterproposes the following change to Section 17.5 as follows:

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**Section 17.5 Certified Pharmacy Technicians:** For purposes of layoff and recall, Certified Pharmacy Technicians shall have seniority based on their most recent date of hire. The seniority of Certified Pharmacy Technicians will be separate from any other employees within the bargaining unit. The Employer shall reimburse its Certified Pharmacy Technician employees for costs incurred in paying registration fees required for the performance of their duties in the store pharmacy.

The Employer agrees to provide for certification of certain employees within the Pharmacy Technician classification on the following basis:

Upon successful completion of the certification examination, the employee's application/examination fee and the cost expended for necessary training materials will be reimbursed by the Employer. Only one examination fee will be reimbursed per employee. Employees who obtain certification will be entitled to receive an hourly "certification premium" in the amount of seventy-five cents (\$.75) per hour in addition to the regular rate of pay in Appendix "C" for so long as the employee remains certified. Fees required to be expended by the employee to obtain recertification will be reimbursed by the Employer if recertification is obtained. The fees paid by the employee for attending continuing education courses required for renewal of certification will be reimbursed by the Employer if recertification is obtained. The Employer reserves the right to approve in advance the numbers of those employees who obtain certification at its expense, together with the accompanying premium pay.

**Each district shall have up to five (5) job postings for "District Pharmacy Technicians" who shall receive training and be available to support multiple stores within an assigned group of stores. These District Pharmacy Technicians shall have an assigned base store, but shall be scheduled to work at other stores within the group to assist with onboarding of new technicians and to address staffing shortages, vacations, sick call-outs and other scheduling needs. Schedules for District Pharmacy Technicians shall be posted two (2) weeks in advance, but shall remain subject to changes to the schedule and/or location. District Pharmacy Technicians shall receive an additional premium of \$0.75 per hour, which may be stacked with the certified premium.**

### **Union Proposal #9**

#### **9) Cross training and working in more than one department**

- A) Cross training and/or requiring employees to work outside their department will be by mutual agreement only
- B) If cross training is mutually agreed to, the employee will be scheduled to shadow department leadership for at least 3 consecutive shifts before expected to work independently
- C) \$2.00 shift differential for all hours scheduled for the shift when employees are assigned to work in more than one department per shift

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### **Employer Response to Union Proposal 9 (01.16.25; 02.26.25)**

The Employer holds on its prior responses to this proposal:

- A. This would be an overly burdensome restriction. Employees should be willing and able to help out where the customers need them most. It's good for customers, good for business, and good for the employee: being cross-trained can help position an employee to have more hours and promotion opportunities available to them.
- B. The grocers are capable of designing, and in fact already have, training programs that are realistic for the average learner and provide store leadership the flexibility to adjust based on individual learner needs. Individualized bargaining is the best format for discussions about any employer's individual training programs.
- C. Cross-training affords the employee an opportunity to learn about our businesses and prepares an employee for career advancement opportunities. And even if the employee is only looking at the short-term benefits, cross training can give them greater opportunities to be scheduled or pick up more hours as compared to their colleagues who are limited in what they are trained to do.

### **Union Proposal #10**

#### **10) Transfer protections**

- A) Employees may only be transferred to another department or store by mutual agreement between the employee and the employer.
- B) Any involuntary transfers to another department or store, whether for work performance or other disciplinary actions, may only be permissible when accompanied by discipline or a Performance Improvement Plan (PIP) for cause.
- C) Whenever there is a vacancy for a benefit-eligible position that the employer intends to fill, the employer shall post the position both electronically and in a visible location at each store for at least seven (7) calendar days. Vacancies shall be filled by the most senior internal applicant(s), whenever possible.

### **Employer Response to Union Proposal 10 (01.16.25; 02.26.25)**

The Employer holds on its prior responses to this proposal:

- A. There's a reason most grocers operate multiple stores in the Twin Cities metro area. That model serves customers better because they allow the stores to help each other out. Transfers also often offer employees a faster path to promotion and the corresponding increases in pay and benefits. The same is true for transferring departments (which is also why the grocers find cross training so important).
- B. Transfers are a means to better serve customers and the community. And the current contracts already address disciplinary transfers between stores: "No employee will be transferred as a means of discipline."
- C. The grocers are not interested in going back to a seniority system for determining promotions. As we discussed at length earlier in negotiations today, the grocers think it is very important that the most qualified and capable

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person is selected for every role. This should matter to employees too, because these processes determine who will manage them and be their coworkers. Seniority does not consider qualifications and ability to best serve customers and fellow employees.

### Union Proposal #11

#### 11) PTO / ESST / Leave

##### A) Increase Bereavement - ensure consistency for all CBAs

- i. All full-time and part-time employees (~~excluding Group 3~~) on the seniority list shall be entitled to bereavement pay according to the following:
  - A maximum of four (4) days of leave with pay in the event of the death of a spouse, parent, ~~stepparent~~, child or stepchild.
  - A maximum of ~~three (3) two (2)~~ days of leave with pay in the event of the death of a brother, sister, mother-in-law or father-in-law, ~~grandparent or grandchild~~.
  - ~~One (1) day of leave with pay to attend the funeral in the event of the death of a grandparent or grandchild.~~

##### B) Holiday pay

- i. Revisit designated paid holidays, add 1 more
- ii. Holiday pay increased from 4 to 6 hours paid for all part-time
- iii. **Ensure consistency for all CBAs - Part-time employees are eligible for holiday pay after 90 days**
  - Custodial / Courtesy / Clean Team will not have to wait 1 year to receive, should be same as PT which is after 90 days (no longer an issue if all convert to regular part-time)

##### C) Vacation / PTO / ESST

*[HOLD for future proposal]*

### Employer Response to Union Proposal 11 (02.26.25)

The employer will respond to proposal C when specific proposals are made by the union. In addition, the employer only has one contract for a single bargaining unit with the union. Otherwise, the employer responds as stated below:

- A. The majority of this language was added to the contract in 2023. The employer does not believe further changes should be made at this time.
- B. The employer believes the current language relating to holiday pay eligibility is appropriate given the nature of its business, and the fact that the language currently prohibits the employer from fully staffing its business on holidays.



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### Union Proposal #12

#### 12) Classifications

- A) Clear and equitable paths to promotion
  - 1. Discussion to include part-timers who perform duties of full-timers (example: Deli Supervisors at Kowalski's)
- B) Custodial / Courtesy / Clean Team - eliminated and all reclassified as Regular Part-time
- C) Group 3 - eliminated and all reclassified as Regular Part-time (maintain FT lay-off language)
- D) Retail Specialist - eliminated and all reclassified as Classified Assistant - ensure consistency for all CBAs
- E) Department Heads:
  - i) All Department Heads shall be classified as Traditional Full-Time Food Handlers for purposes of Appendix A-1 "Food Handlers Sunday Clause."
  - ii) Any Department Head who is demoted or chooses to step down will revert to the classification they held prior to becoming a Department Head. - ensure consistency for all CBAs
  - iii) Ensure that all FT heads of departments are classified and paid as Department Heads (e.g. Pricing, Front End, E-Commerce, Floral, Gift, General Merchandising, Coffee, Cheese)
  - iv) Amend Section 5.5 to read: Any time a department head is off and a replacement is assigned to fill in for the duties of a department head or assistant department head, the employee assigned to fill in will receive department head or assistant department head pay for each shift in which those duties are performed.
- F) Training hours: When an employee is training as a higher paid classification, they shall be compensated at the higher classification for said hours.
- G) Full-time Waiver - Amend full-time waiver rate in Section 23.1 to \$23.00 for the duration of the waiver period up to a maximum of one thousand two hundred (1,200) hours of said period. If an employee exceeds a maximum of 1,200 hours, the employee will become a Classified Assistant. - ensure consistency for all CBAs
- H) Maintaining seniority for students - [hold for future discussion]

### Employer Response to Union Proposal 12 (02.26.25)

The Employer will respond to proposal H when a specific proposal is made by the union, but notes that our contract already contains language on this point. In addition, the employer only has one contract for a single bargaining unit with the union. Otherwise the employer response as set forth below:

- A. See employer response to Union Proposal 10, Item C.
- B. The employer consolidated these classifications a prior agreement.
- C. The employer will review the classifications currently in place as we go through the bargaining process, but does not believe additional consolidation is supported at this time.
- D. The employer consolidated these classifications in a prior agreement.

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- E. The employer addressed several of these items in prior negotiations, but will consider specific proposals to the current contract language if made by the union.
- F. Moving employees to new classifications before a position is open and filled according to the terms of the contract is not feasible.
- G. This was addressed in our prior contract.

### **13) Safety and Wellbeing [HOLD for future proposals]**

- A) Employer shall update schedules and nametags of an employee once informed of a name change and with employee's consent**
- B) Employer will require that any federal immigration agent, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) agent, Department of Homeland Security (DHS) agent, or State and Local law enforcement officials present a valid warrant signed by a judge before admission to the worksite or access to employee records. Employer shall immediately notify UFCW 663 in the event of such an incident**
- C) Employees will not be expected to participate in rodent or insect remediation**

### **Employer Response to Union Proposal 13 (02.26.25)**

The Employer is unclear as to whether these are the final proposals due to the "HOLD" language. Employer does not believe that any additional language is required on these topics, as they are sufficiently addressed in the contract's provisions on uniforms and safety. Proposal B is not, in the employer's view, permissible under applicable law, which does not require a judicial warrant before admission to the worksite, back office areas, or before providing employee records. Employer has and will continue to comply with applicable law on immigration matters.

### **14) Tools and Training**

- A) Front end and Pharmacy employees will be provided stools, fatigue mats, and be permitted to have water - discuss ergonomic needs
- B) Bakery, Deli and Meat department employees will be provided non-slip fatigue mats
- C) Apprenticeships & Job Training [*HOLD for further discussion*]
- D) Limit on using AI technology including, but not limited to, scheduling, inventory management, and in-store customer service [*HOLD for future proposal*]**

### **Employer Response to Union Proposal 14 (02.26.25)**

The Employer will respond to C and D when specific proposals are made by the union. The Employer already provides non-slip mats and other reasonable accommodations where supported. Applicable law prohibits water in Pharmacy areas, so employer is not able to agree to change contract language on that point.

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### **15) Check-off**

- A) All check-off remittances (dues, initiation fees, ABC) collected by the Company shall be promptly remitted to the Union no later than the 5th of the month following the month of such deductions.**

### **Employer Response to Union Proposal 14 (02.26.25)**

The Employer will consult internally on dues processes and will provide a response separately on this item, which may also require changes to the contractual language and the process by which the union provides dues invoices to the employer.

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### **Employer Proposal #1 – Term of Agreement**

Employer proposes a four (4) year agreement.

### **Employer Proposal #2 – New Article – Management Rights**

Add the following Article to the contract and renumber as necessary:

**The Employer's right to manage is retained and preserved except as abridged or modified by the restrictive language of this agreement. This Agreement shall be interpreted as if every possible right of management is expressly included herein. The parties agree that their decision not to list other rights or the above rights in more specific detail is for the sake of brevity only and shall not be construed as a limitation on the Employer's right and ability to unilaterally exercise such rights. The Employer's exercise of such rights shall not be subject to bargaining or the grievance/arbitration provisions of this Agreement unless the exercise of such rights violates a clear and express provision of this Agreement.**

### **Employer Proposal #3 – SPUR Leave**

Modify Section 11.7 as follows:

**Section 11.7 SPUR (Special Project Union Representative) Leave: The Employer, at its sole discretion, may grant a request for a** A leave of absence will be provided for a period of time, not to exceed one (1) year, for an employee requested by the Union to assist the UFCW International or Local 663 for temporary work as a union representative in the SPUR program. The Union will provide a 30-day minimum notice **of the request** to the Employer, **stating the starting and ending dates for such leave. All wages and benefit expenses for the employee shall be paid by the Union for all time served on said leave.** ~~It is understood that the Union would make any contributions necessary to continue the employee's participation in Health & Welfare and Pension programs as provided by the agreement during this leave of absence. The Employer would provide this leave without loss of seniority. For Employers with two (2) or fewer stores, the SPUR leave will be granted only upon mutual agreement of the Employer and the Union.~~

### **Employer Proposal #4 – MN PFML**

Add new Section 11.11 as follows:

**SECTION 11.11: MINNESOTA PAID FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE Paid Family and Medical Leave. Upon implementation of the State of Minnesota Paid FMLA law, the employer retains the right to deduct payroll taxes to the maximum amount allowed by state Paid Family Medical Leave legislation or implement a private plan substitution should state legislation and commissioner approval be granted. This private plan shall provide no less than the minimum benefits required under any said state law. The Employer shall have the ability to design its private plan however it sees fit provided it receives commissioner approval.**

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### **Employer Proposal #5 – Union Leave**

Modify Section 11.2 as follows:

**Section 11.2 Union Leave:** An employee with at least one (1) year of seniority, who is elected or appointed to a full-time Union office, shall be granted a leave of absence for the term of such appointment, to a maximum of one (1) year. **The Employer, in its sole discretion, may grant a request for a leave of absence for up to one (1) employee per store who is elected or appointed to a Union office to perform official Union business. The Union will provide a 30-day minimum notice of the request to the Employer,** Temporary leaves of absence to attend state or national conventions shall be granted to all Executive Board members and elected delegates of the Union. Leaves of absence for Executive Board members for Union business will be granted as needed. Such members shall give their Employer a minimum of one (1) week notice (except Union emergencies), stating the starting and ending time for such leave. **All wages and benefit expenses for the employee shall be paid by the Union for all time served on union leave.**

The Employer shall not be required to give a leave for more than one (1) employee from each store.

### **Employer Proposal #6 – Discharge**

Modify Article 6 as follows:

No employee shall be discharged without good and sufficient cause. Dishonesty, ~~drunkenness~~, gross inefficiency, **theft, harassment, possession of a firearm in the store, threatening or engaging in violence, vandalism, insubordination, or serious safety violations, or** and use of illegal controlled substance(s) (drugs) will be considered as causes for dismissal **without progressive discipline.** Dismissed drug offenders ~~who provide the Employer with a certificate of rehabilitation will be reinstated.~~ **Being under the influence of alcohol or illegal controlled substances (drugs) while at work will be considered as causes for dismissal without progressive discipline to the extent permitted by law.**

The Employer agrees that in cases of suspension or discharge of an Employee, a Union representative will be permitted to attend administration of the discipline. Employees shall be allowed to include their own written accounts and rebuttals to all Employer-generated documents in their personnel file. The Employer will notify the Union via email within forty-eight (48) hours following the administration of a suspension or discharge to a bargaining unit employee. If the Employer fails to provide the notice within forty-eight (48) hours, in order to remedy the delay, the timeline for the grievance procedure will begin when the Union is notified of the suspension or discharge.

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### **Employer Proposal #7 – Minimum Wage Increases**

Add new Section 5.10 as follows:

#### **Section 5.11: City, State, or Federal Minimum Wage and Other Wage Increases:**

**Any unscheduled wage increases received in the twelve (12) months prior to any scheduled wage progression will be credited against the scheduled wage progression increase. If an employee has received more than the scheduled progression in unscheduled wage rate adjustments during the prior twelve (12) months, that employee will not receive the scheduled wage progression.**

**In the event the minimum wage is increased, the parties agree that no employee shall receive both a minimum wage increase and a scheduled wage progression in any calendar year. An employee shall receive only the greater of either a scheduled wage progression or the combined value of a minimum wage increase and wage decompression increase, if applicable. When there is an increase in the minimum wage, the wage rate for all employees shall be raised to the new minimum wage. The employer may apply greater hourly wage increases at its discretion to address wage compression.**

### **Employer Proposal #8 – Vacation**

Add new Section 4.9 as follows:

**Effective upon ratification, employees must use all vacation time earned during the anniversary year in which it is allocated, except that employees shall be authorized to roll over a maximum of one year's worth of vacation time based on years of service. However, an employee who rolled over more than one year's worth of vacation on their anniversary date prior to ratification of this Agreement may roll over up to that amount of vacation in each anniversary year during the term of this Agreement. Any carried over vacation pay due to an employee termination will be paid at the wage rate effective as of March 5, 2025 or at the rate of the year in which it was earned thereafter. Active employees' vacation will be paid on a first earned basis.**

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### **Employer Proposal #9 – MN ESST**

Add new Section 7.5 as follows:

**Section 7.5: Minnesota Earned Sick and Safe Time. Pursuant to the Employer’s Sick and Safe Policy on the Minnesota Earned Sick and Safe Time Act (“Act”), up to forty-eight (48) hours of an employee’s available vacation and/or personal/floating holidays may be used as eligible Earned Sick and Safe Time (ESST) for permissible purposes defined under the Act. Employees entitled to fewer than 48 hours of frontloaded vacation and/or personal/floating holidays, will accrue time off for ESST purposes in accordance with the Employer’s policies on the Act, provided such policies do not reduce time off available to Employees during the term of this Agreement.**

### **Employer Proposal #10 – Employee Waivers**

Adjust language on employee waivers on minimum hours in Section 2.5(F) as follows:

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(F) The minimum hours expressed in paragraphs (A), (B) and/or (C)-above shall not apply if the employee makes a written request approved by the Employer to be regularly scheduled for less hours. Any such approved written request shall remain valid **until the employee requests change or the agreed upon time period has lapsed, at which time a new written request must be submitted by the employee for the Employer’s approval.** ~~for six (6) months, at which time a new written request must be submitted by the employee for the Employer’s approval.~~ **Upon lapse or requested change by the employee, the employee must provide updated and suitable availability to allow the Employer to schedule the respective minimum hours for their classification** All such approval requests shall be promptly sent to the Union, and any employee who is working under such an approved written request shall not be counted for purposes of the ratio language expressed in Section 17.2(1).

### **Employer Proposal #11 – Staffing on Easter and Thanksgiving**

Allow Employer to fully staff on Easter and Thanksgiving as business requires.

- (C) Easter: Easter is not a holiday for purposes of this article nor the rest of this Agreement. Employers who desire may operate their stores on Easter. ~~Stores opened on Easter will be staffed by volunteers only, who sign a posting to work. Only those employees signing the posting to volunteer shall be allowed to work Easter. The Employer shall provide the Union a copy of the signed posting.~~ **If there are not enough volunteers available to staff the stores, Employers may, at their discretion, schedule the required number from part-time employees, using reverse seniority.**

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Employees working on Easter shall receive:

- Traditional full-time will be paid time-and-one-half (1 ½) for hours worked on Easter.
- Classified Assistants shall receive a four (4) dollar premium per hour for hours worked on Easter.
- All other classifications shall receive a two (2) dollar premium per hour for hours worked on Easter.

- (D) Thanksgiving: Employers who desire may operate their stores on this holiday. ~~Stores opened on this holiday will be staffed by volunteers only, who sign a posting to work. Only those employees signing the posting to volunteer shall be allowed to work this holiday. The Employer shall provide the Union a copy of the signed posting.~~ **If there are not enough volunteers available to staff the stores, Employers may, at their discretion, schedule the required number from part-time employees, using reverse seniority.**

### **Employer Proposal #12 – Holiday Qualification**

Clarify Holiday pay as follows:

**Section 3.3 Holiday Qualifications:** Full-time employees will be eligible for holiday pay if they are a full-time employee as of the date the holiday(s) occur. Part-time employees (excluding Group 3 employees through March 2, 2019) will be eligible if they have completed ninety (90) calendar days of employment as part-time employees, except for regular part-time Clean Team employees who will be eligible only after they have completed one (1) year of continuous service.

In addition to the above qualifications, employees must have worked one of the following: in the week before the holiday occurs, in the week in which the holiday occurs, or in the week after the week the holiday occurs. In addition, the employee must work his/her scheduled workday before the holiday, **his/her scheduled workday on the holiday,** and his/her scheduled workday after the holiday unless excused by the Employer or unless absent due to ~~proven~~ illness or injury. If the employee does not meet these requirements, he/she will not be eligible for holiday pay.