

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BY AND BETWEEN

THE

LAKE COUNTY

SHERIFF'S MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION (LCSMA Unit 17)

AND

THE COUNTY OF LAKE

July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2029



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## **1. GENERAL PROVISIONS**

### **1.1 Parties to the Memorandum**

This Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter referred to as "MOU") has been executed by a representative of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Lake, hereinafter referred to as the COUNTY, and by representatives of the Lake County Sheriff's Management Association, hereinafter called the ASSOCIATION. The parties agree that all changes in working conditions and/or benefits caused by the approval of this Memorandum of Understanding and contained herein shall become effective on the date that the Board of Supervisors approves this Memorandum of Understanding, unless otherwise specified herein.

### **1.2 Authorized Agents**

For the purpose of administering the terms and provisions of this MOU, the following authorized agents and their respective mailing addresses are designated.

#### **1.2.1 County Agents**

COUNTY'S principal authorized agents shall be the County Administrative Officer or their duly authorized representative:

County of Lake  
255 North Forbes Street Lakeport, California  
95453

#### **1.2.2 Association Agents**

ASSOCIATION'S principal authorized agent shall be the President of the ASSOCIATION or their duly authorized representative:

Lake County Sheriff's  
Management Association  
1220 Martin Street  
Lakeport, CA 95453

### **1.3 Recognition**

The ASSOCIATION is hereby acknowledged as the recognized employee organization for permanent positions in Unit 17, a peace officer unit, as shown in both Attachment "A" to this MOU pursuant to the Lake County Employer- Employee Relations Ordinance, Article II of Chapter 14 of the Lake County Code, and Section 3500 et seq of the Government Code of the State of California.

## **1.4 Association Rights**

### **1.4.1 Meet and Confer Members**

The County shall provide up to two (2) Association members, as determined by the Association president, paid release time from their regularly scheduled work to attend negotiation meetings and meet and confers.

### **1.4.2 Use of Bulletin Boards**

Insofar as the following is not disruptive to the normal operation of the department:

- a) COUNTY will provide space for bulletin boards, the use of established intercommunication systems, and meeting rooms.
- b) COUNTY will provide use of the duplicating equipment at prevailing fees for work done.
- c) Employee representatives will be allowed to post notices on bulletin boards in their sections during work hours without loss of pay insofar as the exercise of this privilege does not interfere with their assigned duties.

## **1.5 County Rights and Responsibilities**

COUNTY retains, solely and exclusively, all the rights, powers and authority exercised or held prior to the execution of this MOU, except as expressly limited by a specific provision of this MOU. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the rights, powers, and authority retained solely and exclusively by COUNTY and not abridged herein, include but are not limited to, the following: To manage and direct its business and personnel; to manage, control, and determine the mission of its departments, building facilities and operations; to create, change, combine or abolish jobs, departments and facilities in whole or in part; to subcontract or discontinue work for economic or operational reasons; to direct the work force; to increase or decrease the work force and determine the number of employees needed; to hire, transfer, promote and maintain the discipline and efficiency of its employees; to establish work standards, schedules of operation and reasonable work load; to specify or assign work requirements and require overtime; to schedule working hours and shifts; to adopt rules of conduct and penalties for violation thereof; to determine the type and scope of work to be performed and the services to be provided; to determine the methods, processes, means, and places of providing services; to take whatever action is necessary to prepare for and operate in an emergency. Nothing in this Article shall be construed to limit, amend, decrease, revoke or otherwise modify the rights vested in the COUNTY by any law regulating, authorizing or empowering the COUNTY to act or refrain from acting.

## **2. COMPENSATION**

### **2.1 Salary**

The salary range for each classification from Step 1 through Step 5 shall be as shown in attachments "A-1" which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein and reflects the following adjustments:

- a) Beginning July 1, 2025, the County will implement the 2024 Compensation study at 97.5% of the market median
- b) Beginning July 1, 2026, the County will implement a 3.5% cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) to base salaries.
- c) Beginning July 1, 2027, the County will implement a 3.5% cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) to base salaries.
- d) Beginning July 1, 2028, the County will implement a 3.5% cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) to base salaries.

#### **2.1.1 Y-Rating Provision**

Salary adjustments shall follow the salary schedule outlined in the Compensation Study and MOU. Employees whose pay exceeds the salary range defined by the study are designated as Y-rated.

During this time, Y-rated employees will continue to receive their salary as of June 30, 2025. They will become eligible for step increases, merit raises, or COLAs, when any combination of the following conditions are met:

1. Their current step increases within the pay grade brings their salary into alignment with the study's range, per, the approved Salary Schedule in Attachment "A". The employee receives a step increase towards a step that has a salary higher than the employee's salary amount prior to the step increase.
2. A cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) is applied at a level that adjusts their pay to fall within with the study's range, per the approved Salary Schedule in Attachment "A".

#### **2.1.2 Five Step Salary Schedule**

The Salary Step System contained herein is a five-step salary schedule (Step 1, Step 2, etc.). Movement in this system shall be based on an annual satisfactory performance evaluation as determined by the employee's department head. Eligibility for progression through the steps of the salary schedule shall be based upon at least one full year's satisfactory service at the preceding step. Upon achievement of one full year of service and an overall rating of "Satisfactory" or above on the associated annual performance evaluation, as determined by the employee's department head, the employee shall receive a 5% increase upon movement to the next step in the system (Steps 2-5). Unless advanced step hiring has been approved, every employee entering into represented classes covered by this MOU shall begin their service at the first step (Step 1).

In cases, where an employee's performance evaluation is less than satisfactory and, therefore, progression to the next step is denied, the department head shall reevaluate that employee following ninety (90) days additional service

and, if such employee's performance is determined by the department head to have improved to satisfactory or better at the conclusion of such 90-day period, the employee may be eligible to progress to the next step, subject to the full discretion of the department head. If progression is still denied the salary anniversary date will be set to one year from the prior salary anniversary date.

## **2.2 Salary Upon Promotion or Reclassification**

### **2.2.1 Promotion or Reclassification from a Management Classification to Another Management Classification**

An employee who is promoted, or who is reclassified from management classification to another management classification, shall receive a salary at the first step of the higher class or at the step that provides for at least a 5% increase over their base salary prior to such promotion. If an increase equal to 5% should exceed the last step of the new range (Step 5), the employee shall be promoted to the last step of the new range (Step 5).

### **2.2.2 Promotion or Reclassification from a Non-Management Classification to a Management Classification**

An employee whose prior classification was not management and who is promoted or reclassified to a management classification, other than an elected official or appointed department head classification, shall receive a salary at the first step of the higher class or at the step which provides for at least a 10% increase over their base salary prior to such promotion. If an increase equal to 10% should exceed the last step of the new range (Step 5), the employee shall be promoted to the last step of the new range (Step 5).

### **2.2.3 Salary upon Promotion – Advanced Step**

Upon promotion of a full-time or part-time employee to a new class the employee has not held before, the appointing authority may recommend, based on the employee's extraordinary qualifications, that the employee receive a salary step which is higher than that set forth in 2.3.1 ..., and/or 2.3.2. Under such circumstances, the Human Resources Director may authorize an advanced salary step up to Step 3. The County Administrative Officer may authorize an advanced salary step at Step 4 or Step 5. Advanced step upon promotion does not apply to flex promotions.

## **2.3 Salary Upon Demotion**

Employees who are demoted or voluntarily demote shall be placed at the salary step 1-5 representing the least loss of pay. In no case shall the salary be increased above that received in the classification from which the employee was demoted. Employee's salary anniversary date will be maintained if the demotion places the employee at salary Step 1 through Step 4.

## **2.4 Longevity Pay**

### **2.4.1 Purpose**

Longevity pay rewards permanent County employees for each year of continuous employment with the County of Lake. Continuous is defined as an employee's period of work with the County without any breaks in service.

### **2.4.2 Eligibility**

Permanent employees qualify for longevity pay based on their total continuous

service and the total hours worked, excluding overtime. For all permanent employees, longevity pay shall be determined based on the total number of continuous years of service from the permanent employment hire date and the total number of hours worked.

Step	Completion of Years and Hours	Longevity Pay
1	6 years and 12,480 hours	2.5% of base pay
2	11 years and 22,880 hours	5.0% of base pay
3	16 years and 33,280 hours	7.5% of base pay
4	21 years and 43,680 hours	10.0% of base pay
5	26 years and 54,080 hours	12.5% of base pay
6	31 years and 64,480 hours	15.0% of base pay

**2.4.3 Longevity for employees at a longevity level below the correlating year and hour level per table**

Effective July 1, 2025, employees who are currently assigned to a longevity step that is lower than what is warranted by their continuous years of service and total hours worked (as specified in Section 2.4.2) will be adjusted to the appropriate longevity step according to the longevity table above.

**2.4.4 Longevity for employees at a longevity level above the correlating year and hour level per table**

Effective July 1, 2025, Employees who are currently at a Longevity step above where they would be otherwise on the above table (as specified in section 2.4.2) will retain that advanced level. They will be eligible for the next longevity step only when their years and hours of service are in line with the above table.

**2.4.5 Longevity Upon Termination / Rehire**

Employees who are rehired after leaving County service do not receive credit for years of service previously worked for purpose of longevity.

**2.4.6 Longevity CAP**

Longevity increases are limited to a maximum of six longevity steps. Employees who have already reached a sixth longevity step or higher, as of the effective date of the agreement shall become eligible for one final longevity step after completing five years of continuous service and 10,400 hours worked (excluding overtime hours) since their last longevity increase.

**2.5 Working Above Class**

**2.5.1 Temporary Replacement for Fifteen (15) Days or Less**

An employee assigned to temporary duties of fifteen (15) workdays or less in a higher job classification shall not receive the pay of the higher job classification.

**2.5.2 Accrual of Temporary Replacement Time**

An employee who, within a twelve-month period, accrues more than fifteen (15) days of temporary duties in a higher job classification, shall be compensated at the base salary rate of the position to which assigned, or five percent (5%) above their normal salary rate, whichever is higher, commencing on the sixteenth (16th) day of



such duties for each day so worked thereafter.

## **2.6 Incentive Pays**

### **2.6.1 Intermediate, Advanced and Supervisory POST Incentive Pay**

Each law enforcement management employee who achieves POST certification as described below shall receive an additional 2.5% of their base pay upon official recognition by the Sheriff or their designee, that such certification has been achieved.

- Intermediate POST Certificate 2.5%
- Advanced POST Certificate, an additional 2.5%
- Supervisory POST Certificate, an additional 2.5%

An employee who has achieved the above certificates is eligible for the applicable differential(s) regardless of whether the certificate was obtained prior to employment or during employment with the COUNTY.

### **2.6.2 Educational Incentives or Management POST Certificate**

Upon demonstrated proof of attainment of a bachelor's degree in a relevant field (e.g. administration of justice, public administration, business administration, accounting, etc.) or Management POST Certificate employees shall receive one educational incentive bonus of 2.5% above their base salary.

## **2.7 Bilingual Differential**

All Management employees certified as bilingual, through the County's standard bilingual certification process, shall receive two and one-half percent (2.5%) of their base pay for all hours worked.

## **2.8 Advanced Training Differential**

Any Lieutenant—Corrections who achieves the education, advanced training and experience levels described below shall receive an additional 2.5% of their base pay upon certification by the Sheriff or their designee that such training level/experience has been achieved. All training must be POST or STC approved training.

Advanced Degree Experience	Training Points*	Yrs.
None	15	8
None	30	6
None	45	4
A.A.	15	4
B.A.	15	2
*One training point is accrued for each twenty (20) hours of instruction approved in advance by the Sheriff or their designee.		

### **3. Overtime**

Management employees shall not receive any compensation for overtime worked except pursuant to this subsection.

#### **3.1 Overtime In Certain Board Designated Emergencies**

Management employees shall be eligible for straight-time overtime pay when working beyond forty (40) hours in a week as Disaster Service Workers due to a Board of Supervisors' declared emergency that is concurrent with an active Emergency Operations Center (EOC).

Such straight-time overtime must be specifically authorized by Board of Supervisors' resolution and shall be paid in cash and capped at a maximum of forty (40) hours per each authorized incident.

#### **3.2 Overtime For Grant Reimbursement and Service Contracts**

Management employees shall be eligible for straight-time overtime pay when working beyond forty (40) hours in a week on reimbursed projects or events where the overtime worked is reimbursed to the County from an outside source. Such straight-time overtime must be specifically authorized by the Sheriff, or their designee. The Lake County Deputy Sheriff's Association members shall have the right of first refusal on all grant reimbursed projects or service contracts.

### **4. Leave Benefits**

#### **4.1 Vacation Leave**

##### **4.1.1 Allowance**

The following annual vacation allowance shall be credited to each employee in the unit based upon full-time continuous permanent employment with the COUNTY:

<b>YEARS OF SERVICE</b>	<b>ANNUAL ALLOWANCE/ ACCRUED MONTHLY</b>
After 1 year but less than 5 years	3 weeks/120 hours
After 5 years but less than 20 years	4 weeks/160 hours
After 20 years	5 weeks/200 hours

Employees who previously worked full-time, continuously and permanently for another county or city government—provided the employment ended within 30 days before being hired by the COUNTY—may request for those years to count toward the employee's total years of service with the COUNTY for the purpose of accruing vacation leave.

##### **4.1.2 Utilization**

Employees may use accumulated vacation leave during the pay period following its accrual. Employees shall be permitted to schedule annual vacation leave in three (3) increments each calendar year.

**4.1.3 Payment upon Separation**

Accrued but unused vacation leave shall be paid upon retirement or termination.

**4.1.4 Sick While on Vacation**

Employees becoming seriously ill while on vacation leave may apply to change their leave to sick leave for the time involved. Serious illness shall mean an illness requiring care in a licensed health care facility. It is mutually understood to exclude common colds, minor flu, etc. All normal sick leave verification requirements apply.

**4.1.5 Maximum Vacation Leave Accruals**

Employees may accrue up to 280 hours of vacation leave.

**4.1.6 Vacation Accrual Following Layoff**

For employees hired after April 1, 2009 who have previously worked for the County and were terminated due to lay-off after April 1, 2009, the years of County service prior to that layoff shall be added to the current years of service for purposes of earning vacation leave.

**4.1.7 Vacation Cash Out**

Employees with two hundred (200) or more hours of accrued vacation leave may request and receive compensation for up to forty (40) hours of unused vacation time in any one fiscal year.

**4.2 Sick Leave**

**4.2.1 Accumulation and Usage**

The accumulation and use of sick leave shall be governed by the appropriate sections of the County's Personnel Rules.

**4.2.2 Sick Leave Conversion to CalPERS Service Credit**

Pursuant to CalPERS regulations, eligible employees who retire from County service may elect to convert unused sick leave to CalPERS service credit for retirement purposes.

Eligible employees must elect either the CalPERS service credit conversion or the Sick Leave Incentive Program; employees may not participate under both programs.

**4.2.3 Sick Leave Incentive Program Upon Separation**

Employees who voluntarily separate from County service with at least one (1) year of service and unused sick leave shall be eligible to receive a percentage of their unused sick leave as a monetary payout, not to exceed two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00).

Employees who retire from County service, having completed all necessary steps to implement a CalPERS retirement, shall be eligible to receive a percentage of their unused sick leave as a monetary payout, not to exceed two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00), provided they do not elect to convert sick leave to

CalPERS service credit.

Employees must elect either the Sick Leave Incentive Program or the Sick Leave Conversion to CalPERS service credit; employees may not participate under both programs.

<b>Completed Service</b>	<b>Sick Leave Paid Off</b>
1 year but less than 2 years	20.0%
2 years but less than 3 years	22.5%
3 years but less than 4 years	25.0%
4 years but less than 5 years	27.5%
5 years but less than 6 years	30.0%
6 years but less than 7 years	32.5%
7 years but less than 8 years	35.0%
8 years but less than 9 years	40.0%
9 years but less than 10 years	45.0%
10 or more years	50.0%

#### **4.2.4 Cash in Lieu**

ASSOCIATION members, who have accrued more than five hundred (500) hours of unused sick leave may request and receive cash in lieu of sick leave hours which are in excess of five hundred hours. Employees shall receive no more than sixty (60) hours cash in lieu of sick leave hours in any one fiscal year.

### **4.3 Maternity Leave**

#### **4.3.1 Maternity Leave Defined**

Subject to the general provisions of Section 14, 30, and 1503.2 of the Personnel Rules, employees are entitled to leave for disabilities caused or contributed to by their pregnancy, miscarriage, childbirth, and recovery therefrom on the same terms and conditions governing leaves of absence for other illness or medical disability. Such leave shall not be used for child care, child rearing or preparation for childbearing, but shall be limited to those disabilities as set forth above. The length of such disability leave, including the date on which the leave shall commence and the date on which the duties are to be resumed, shall be determined by the employee and the employee's physician; however, the COUNTY may require a verification of the extent of disability through a physical examination of the employee by the County Health Officer. In no event shall the leave extend for more than one calendar year.

#### **4.3.2 Notice of Intent to Return to Duty Required**

No later than two weeks prior to the intended date of return from maternity leave, the employee shall submit to her department head a notice of intent to return to duty along with a physician's statement that the employee is medically qualified to assume the full duties and responsibilities of her classification.

#### **4.3.3 Equivalent Classification Upon Return**

An employee on maternity leave shall be returned to a position within her classification equivalent to that occupied when she was placed on leave.

#### **4.4 County Declared Holidays**

##### **4.4.1 Holidays Defined**

The following days during the contractual period shall be declared as holidays for unit members:

Holiday	Date
1. New Year's Day	January 1st
2. Martin Luther King Day	Third Monday in January
3. President's Day	Third Monday in February
4. Memorial Day	Last Monday in May
5. Juneteenth	June 19th
6. Independence Day	July 4th
7. Labor Day	First Monday in September
8. Indigenous Peoples' Day	Second Monday in October
9. Veterans Day	November 11th
10. Thanksgiving Day	Fourth Thursday in November
11. Day After Thanksgiving Day	Friday following the Fourth Thursday in November
12. Winter Holiday	Monday - Friday of the week December 25th falls on, if December 25th falls on a weekday. If December 25th falls on a Saturday or Sunday, the 23rd through the 29th of December
Any other holiday declared by the Board pursuant to State Law.	

##### **4.4.2 Holiday Observance**

Any holiday, except Winter Holiday, as stated above in subsection 4.4.1, which falls on a Sunday shall be observed on the following Monday. Any holiday, except Winter Holiday, as stated above in subsection 4.4.1, which falls on a Saturday shall be observed on the preceding Friday.

##### **4.4.3 Holidays Worked**

Management employees are not eligible for additional compensation for working on County holidays, except as allowed in the Emergency Overtime provisions Section 3.1 and 3.2. Management employees who are required to work on holidays may be provided equivalent time off within the same pay period or within the succeeding sixty (60) day period.

#### **4.5 Administrative Leave**

Management employees shall be entitled to receive sixty (60) hours of administrative leave annually or the equivalent cash in lieu.

Employees appointed after April 1st of a fiscal year shall not be entitled to any administrative leave for that fiscal year and shall not receive any allocation of administrative leave until July 1st of the following fiscal year. The annual allowance for administrative leave shall not accrue from one fiscal year to another fiscal year. Employees in positions allocated less than full-time shall receive a proportionate amount of administrative leave hours.

Employees with less than one year of service shall be entitled to receive a prorated share of the sixty (60) hours (except employees appointed after April 1st as stated above).

Employees who terminate County service or who otherwise discontinue serving in a management classification before the end of the fiscal year, and who have used administrative leave hours greater than the pro rata share to which they are entitled shall have the cash equivalent of those hours deducted from their separation pay or deducted from their next payroll check if they are continuing in County service.

#### **4.6 Bereavement Leave**

All employees covered under this AGREEMENT are eligible for five (5) days of unpaid bereavement leave under CFRA for deaths of an immediate family member and shall receive paid bereavement leave as follows:

- For bereavement leave that requires less than 500 miles (one-way), employees shall receive twenty-four (24) hours of paid bereavement leave and may use accruals to cover the remaining sixteen (16) hours to reach forty (40) hours or five (5) days of unpaid CFRA bereavement leave.
- For bereavement leave that requires more than 500 miles of travel (one-way), employees shall receive forty (40) hours of paid bereavement leave. The travel distance shall be computed using the employee's residence as the starting point and the site of the memorial or funeral as the end point.

Paid bereavement leave is available due to the death of the following family members:

- Parent or stepparent
- Sibling or stepsibling
- In-Law: mother-in-law, father-in-law, grandfather-in-law, grandmother-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, sister-in-law, brother-in-law
- spouse, registered domestic partner
- Child, stepchild, adopted child, foster child
- Grandchild
- Grandparent
- Aunt or uncle
- Niece or nephew
- Any person residing in the immediate household of the employee at the time of death

Paid bereavement leave and CFRA unpaid bereavement leave is not subject to accrual, can be used intermittently or consecutively and must be used within three months of the family member's death.

Paid bereavement leave and CFRA unpaid bereavement leave are available unlimited and is available to employees upon the death of each covered family

member.

The county is prohibited from discriminating against an employee for exercising the use of bereavement leave.

The County of Lake reserves the right to request verification of death and travel necessity.

## **5. HEALTH AND WELFARE BENEFITS**

### **5.1 Group Insurance**

#### **5.1.1 Maximum Monthly County Contribution for Health Care Coverage**

The COUNTY shall pay eighty percent (80%) of the County sponsored medical, dental and vision group insurance plan for each employee who enrolls in a County –sponsored group medical, dental and vision insurance plan. Unless employees have a salary redirection form in place from Open Enrollment, all such additional out of pocket costs will be after-tax.

Under the COUNTY's flexible benefits plan, a specific amount (as defined in Section 22892 of the California Government Code, which is adjusted annually based on inflation) of this contribution is specifically designated for group medical insurance, with the balance of the COUNTY contribution available and paid toward an employee's total group medical, dental, vision and life insurance premium.

In no event shall the COUNTY's financial obligation exceed the actual monthly premium for an employee's medical, dental, and vision insurance.

#### **5.1.2 Coverage**

The scope of coverage under the COUNTY-sponsored plan will not be diminished during the term of this Agreement. For purposes of this paragraph, "scope of coverage" is defined as medical, dental, vision, and life insurance coverage.

#### **5.1.3 Retirees' Coverage**

County retirees who retire with fifteen (15) years of total County service as a permanent employee, including at least five (5) consecutive years immediately prior to retirement, and who participate in the County-Sponsored Insurance Program, are entitled to a monthly contribution equal to 50% of the "employee-only" portion of the group health insurance medical premium (excluding dental and vision coverage) toward a County-Sponsored Health Plan. This monthly contribution will discontinue once the retiree reaches sixty-five (65) years of age or becomes eligible for Medicare coverage.

County retirees who retire with twenty (20) years of total County service as a permanent employee, including at least five (5) consecutive years immediately prior to retirement, and who participate in the County-Sponsored Insurance Program, are entitled to a monthly contribution equal to 75% of the "employee-only" portion of the group health insurance medical premium

(excluding dental and vision coverage) toward a County-Sponsored Health Plan. This monthly contribution will discontinue once the retiree reaches sixty-five (65) years of age or becomes eligible for Medicare coverage.

**5.1.4 Break in Service Due to Layoff**

When the last break in service immediately prior to retirement is due to a lay-off, the requirement to work at least 5 continuous years shall be waived.

**5.1.5 Discontinue Allowance for Break in Service**

Notwithstanding the above, employees whose original hire date or re-hire date is November 1, 2011 or later, shall not be eligible for the retiree health insurance monthly stipend unless they have either fifteen or twenty consecutive years of County service as a permanent employee. However, if the last break in service immediately prior to retirement was due to a lay-off and the employee was re-hired under the Reemployment provision under Article IIV(B.) herein, the employee maintains eligibility and the requirement to work at least five (5) continuous years shall be waived.

**5.1.6 Insurance Opt-out with Alternative Coverage**

Employees may waive all health care coverage in its entirety, i.e medical, dental, and vision insurance. Eligibility for the opt-out cash-in-lieu benefit will be based on meeting the current Affordable Care Act (ACA) definition of an “eligible opt-out arrangement.” To receive this cash-in-lieu benefit, employees must provide the COUNTY with proof of similar, employer-sponsored coverage in a form specified by the COUNTY. This includes any required documentation, certifications, or attestations to verify compliance with the ACA's definition of an “eligible opt-out arrangement”. Eligible employees who waive of health care coverage will receive a monthly stipend of \$200.00, which is considered taxable income. Employees are required to complete annual certification during the open enrollment period and promptly report any changes to their qualifying coverage. If at any time during the plan year, the County will not pay the cash-in-lieu to an employee if the current provisions in the ACA eligible opt-out arrangement dictate that the County must not pay that employee.

**5.1.7 Group Life Insurance**

The County shall pay the cost for basic group life insurance for eligible employees. If elected, the County will also pay for basic group life insurance for a qualified dependent.

Employees will be automatically enrolled in the County's basic group life insurance plan, effectively the first of the month following their hire date, for the amount of their base annual salary up to \$100,000. The employee is responsible for any associated taxes. If enrolled by the employee, a qualified dependent shall be covered for \$1,000.

**5.1.8 Accidental Death and Dismemberment (AD&D) Insurance**

The County shall pay for \$5,000 of AD&D insurance for all eligible employees.

**5.1.9 Air Medical Membership Program**

Effective the first day of the month following the employees date of hire, an



employee shall be covered under Emergent Membership program, such as REACH Air Medical Services.

**5.1.10 Section 125 Cafeteria Plan**

The County shall pay the cost of the administration for the Section 125 plan for eligible employees. The Section 125 Cafeteria Plan is an employer sponsored benefits plan that lets employees pay for qualified medical and childcare expenses on a pre-tax basis.

**5.1.11 Employee Assistance Plan (EAP)**

The County shall pay the cost of the EAP plan for eligible employees.

**5.2 Retirement**

**5.2.1 Employee's CalPERS Contribution**

The County will maintain its contract with the State Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS) and the benefits currently provided there under. The current CalPERS plan being provided for "classic" employees hired before January 1, 2013 is the 2% @ 50 formula for Local Safety Members, and for "new" Employees hired after January 1, 2013 is the 2.7% @ 57 formula for Local Safety Members.

**5.2.2 "Classic" Safety Members**

Employees defined as "classic" members, pursuant to the California Public Employees' Pension Reform Act of 2013, shall pay the employee's contribution to CalPERS equal to 9% of the employee's gross pay to be paid as a pre-tax payment as currently provided by IRS Code Section 414(h)(2).

**5.2.3 "New" Safety PEPRAs Members**

Employees defined as "new" members, pursuant to the California Public Employees' Pension Reform Act of 2013, shall pay 50% of normal costs and the County shall not pay any of the required employee contribution in accordance with CalPERS.

**5.2.4 CalPERS Final Compensation**

For purposes of determining a retirement benefit, final compensation for employees covered by Section 5.2 will be based on the highest salary received during any consecutive 36 month period of employment. Except as disallowed by law, the salary used for this calculation will include the employee's base salary and any special compensation, as defined by California Code of Regulations (CCR) section 571 for "Classic" members and 571.1 for "New" PEPRAs members.

**5.2.5 Sick Leave Conversion to CalPERS Service Credit**

Pursuant to CalPERS regulations, eligible employees who retire from County service may elect to convert unused sick leave to CalPERS service credit for retirement purposes.

Eligible employees must elect either the CalPERS service credit conversion or the Sick Leave Incentive Program; employees may not participate under both programs.

**5.2.6 Military Buy Back**

Pursuant to the COUNTY's contract with CalPERS, employees may "buy back" military service time at no cost to the COUNTY.

**5.2.7 Social Security**

All County employees shall contribute to social security program.

**5.3 Personal Property Reimbursement**

Employees shall be paid the reasonable cost of replacing or repairing personal property necessarily worn or carried by the employee which is damaged or destroyed in the line of duty as outlined in the Sheriff's Office Equipment Policy. Payment shall be made only when the loss was not due, to any significant extent, to the fault or negligence of the Employee. Employees must agree to subrogate any recovery of costs from other parties. The rules and regulations governing property reimbursement, including maximum reimbursement amounts for certain items, shall be as provided in the Sheriff's Office Equipment Policy. The maximum reimbursement for watches shall be \$40.00.

**5.4 Uniforms**

**5.4.1 Uniform/Equipment Allowance**

Each management employee required by the COUNTY to maintain a uniform as a condition of employment shall be entitled to receive a uniform allowance of six hundred dollars (\$600.00) per year.

Each management employee who is required by the COUNTY to provide personal safety equipment shall receive an equipment allowance of nine hundred dollars (\$900) per year. Said allowances shall be paid in the manner prescribed by the County Auditor-Controller on a monthly basis.

**5.4.2 Change of Uniforms**

The COUNTY shall provide advance notice to the ASSOCIATION on uniform changes being considered. Upon request, the COUNTY shall provide the opportunity to meet with the ASSOCIATION regarding these matters. There is no obligation to meet and confer on optional standards, voluntary trial tests and other non-mandatory requirements.

**5.5 Safety Equipment**

**5.5.1 Defined**

The following items are defined as safety equipment which shall be provided by the COUNTY:

1. Chemical agents
2. Patches
3. Standard Duty Weapon
4. Hand-held Radio
5. Level IIIA Ballistic Vest

**5.5.2 Implementation**

Items defined hereinabove as safety equipment shall be provided to all newly-hired employees assigned duties requiring their use. Current employees shall be provided the items on an as-needed replacement basis

provided that the existing equipment was not intentionally damaged.

The COUNTY shall provide necessary ammunition for the Standard Duty Weapon and duty ammunition for the required qualification shootings per year. The type, manufacturer, and quantity of items to be provided shall be determined by the COUNTY. The Sheriff will solicit the views of the ASSOCIATION prior to these decisions.

#### **5.6 Cellular Phone Stipend**

Pursuant to County policy adopted by the Board of Supervisors, each member shall be provided a County owned mobile device or a wireless- communication device stipend. The stipend amount for a cellular phone shall be forty dollars (\$40.00) per month and the stipend amount for mobile devices with Personal Digital Assistant (PDA)-like and mobile phone functionality shall be seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) per month. The stipend shall be payable by the Auditor-Controller directly to employees on a monthly basis. Employees shall submit their request for the stipend to the County Administrative Officer, who shall approve or disapprove their request.

### **6. GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE**

#### **6.1 Definitions**

##### **6.1.1 Grievance**

A grievance is a claimed violation, misapplication, or misinterpretation by the COUNTY of a specific provision of this MOU or an employee protection contained in any State law, County Ordinance, Resolution, Personnel Rule or written policy which adversely affects the grievant.

##### **6.1.2 Grievant**

A Grievant is an employee in the unit who is filing a grievance as defined above, or the ASSOCIATION alleging a violation of an ASSOCIATION right. Alleged violations, misapplications, or misinterpretations which affect more than one employee in a substantially similar manner may be consolidated at the discretion of management as a group grievance. In situations where more than one employee is affected, the ASSOCIATION may file grievances on behalf of its members. The COUNTY may require that the ASSOCIATION provide a list of the names of those employees allegedly affected.

##### **6.1.3 Days**

"Day(s) shall mean day(s) in which the COUNTY's main administration office is open for business.

#### **6.2 Informal Levels**

Within ten (10) days from the event giving rise to a grievance or from the date the employee would reasonably be expected to have knowledge of such event, the grievant shall orally discuss their grievance with their immediate supervisor. The supervisor shall have ten (10) days to give an answer to the employee.

### **6.3 Formal Levels**

#### **6.3.1 Formal Grievance**

If the grievant is not satisfied with the resolution proposed at the informal level, the grievant may, within ten (10) days of the receipt of such an answer, file an appeal for hearing and final determination by the County Administrative Officer. The appeal, along with any documentation, shall be forwarded to the Clerk of the Board with a copy to the Human Resources Director. It shall be scheduled within two weeks of the notice, unless extended for good cause. Each party shall have the right to call and examine witnesses, introduce exhibits, cross-examine opposing witnesses, subpoena evidence and witnesses, and to rebut evidence presented. Oral evidence shall be taken only under oath or affirmation. No later than two (2) weeks after the hearing, the County Administrative Officer shall issue a written final decision in the matter which shall be based upon the evidence and arguments presented to it by the respective parties at the hearing.

### **6.4 General Provisions**

#### **6.4.1 Employee's Time Limit for Forwarding Grievance**

If a grievant fails to carry their grievance forward to the next level within the prescribed time period, the grievance shall be considered settled upon the decision rendered at the most recent level utilized.

#### **6.4.2 Manager's Time Limit for Response**

If a supervisor, division commander, or manager fails to respond within the given time period, the grievant may appeal their grievance to the next higher level.

#### **6.4.3 Employee Representation**

The grievant may be represented by a person of their choice at any formal level of this procedure.

#### **6.4.4 Waiver of Limits and Levels**

Time limits and formal levels may be waived by mutual written consent of the parties.

## **7. MISCELLANEOUS**

### **7.1 Disciplinary Procedure**

Disciplinary action may be taken against any employee who has permanent status only for cause. As used in this section, "disciplinary action" means dismissal, demotion, suspension without pay, or letter of reprimand. Disciplinary action may be taken only by the department head or their designee.

#### **7.1.1 Notice**

The department head or their designee may initiate disciplinary action against an employee for cause by serving upon the employee a written notice of the proposed disciplinary action. The notice shall be served upon the employee either personally or by mail and shall include: (1) A statement of the nature of the proposed disciplinary action; (2) A statement of the causes therefore; (3) A statement in ordinary and concise language of the acts or omissions upon which the causes are based; (4) Copies of all documents and materials upon

which the action is based or notice of where access to such documents or materials are available; (5) A statement advising the employee of their right to respond either orally or in writing to the department head or their designee within five (5) working days of receipt of such notice and that such proposed disciplinary action shall not be effective until after completion of the response period; and (6) A statement advising the employee that if disciplinary action is imposed, they may appeal such action as provided in the appeal section of this Agreement by filing a written request for hearing with the Human Resources Director's Office with twenty (20) calendar days of service of the notice.

#### **7.1.2 Appeal**

If the department head or their designee determines to impose the proposed disciplinary action and a request for hearing is filed, in all cases, an attempt shall be made to mutually agree upon a joint written submission of the issues to be submitted to the hearing officer. The basic issues to be submitted in the absence of a jointly submitted statement of the issues to the hearing officer are as follows: Was [employee's name] [dismissed, suspended, demoted] for cause? If not, to what remedy is hearing shall be private unless both parties agree to a public hearing.

Each party shall have the right to call and examine witnesses, introduce exhibits, cross-examine opposing witnesses, subpoena evidence and witnesses, and to rebut evidence presented. Oral evidence shall be taken only under oath or affirmation. The hearing need not be conducted according to technical rules relating to evidence or witnesses.

Any relevant evidence may be admitted if it is the sort of evidence responsible persons are accustomed to rely on in the conduct of serious affairs. The rules of privilege shall be effective to the same extent that they are now or there after may be recognized in civil actions. Irrelevant or unduly repetitious evidence may be excluded. Following the hearing, the hearing officer shall consider the evidence presented, shall make findings regarding facts and the existence of cause, and shall render a written decision and recommendation. The hearing officer may find the disciplinary action was without cause and should be totally rescinded, was with cause and should be upheld, or was with cause but should be modified.

The finding for modification shall be specific as to the modified disciplinary action recommended.

Copies of the hearing officer's decision and recommendation shall be sent to the employee and the department head and two copies shall be sent to the Human Resources Director, one to be filed in the employee's permanent personnel records, and one to be sent to the County Board of Supervisors for review and decision.

The authority for decision to accept or reject the recommendations of the hearing officer shall rest with the County Board of Supervisors. If the hearing officer's recommendation is that the disciplinary action be totally rescinded and the Board of Supervisors concurs, the affected employee shall be restored to their former position or circumstance with all losses of pay and benefits fully restored. If the hearing officer recommends that the disciplinary

action be modified and the Board of Supervisors concurs, the modified action shall be applied forthwith with all losses of pay and benefits, in excess of the modified action, fully restored. The decision of the Board of Supervisors in these matters shall be binding upon all parties. At all steps of this appeal process, the employee may represent themselves or may be represented by a person of their choosing. For purposes of discipline in the form of a letter of reprimand, an employee's right to appeal shall extend only to an administrative appeal to the department head.

### **7.1.3 Hearing Officer Selection and Procedures**

#### **7.1.3.1 Selection**

Upon receipt of the notice or request for hearing, the Human Resources Director or their representative and the employee or their representative shall attempt to mutually agree upon a hearing officer to hear the matter. If no agreement is reached within fourteen (14) calendar days, a hearing officer shall be selected from a list of seven (7) hearing officers submitted by the American Arbitration Association by alternately striking names until one name remains. The party to strike names first shall be selected by lot.

#### **7.1.3.2 Witnesses**

Either the COUNTY or the ASSOCIATION may call any employee as a witness, and the COUNTY agrees to release said employee from work if on duty for the period of time actually necessary for their testimony.

#### **7.1.3.3 Decision**

The hearing officer shall have no power to alter, amend, change, add to, or subtract from any of the terms of this contract. The decision of the hearing officer shall be based solely upon the evidence and arguments presented to him by the respective

Parties in the presence of each other.

#### **7.1.3.4 Fees and Expenses**

All fees and expenses of the hearing shall be equally shared by the parties, except that each party shall bear the expense of the presentation of its own case.

### **7.1.4 Undersheriff**

The Undersheriff is an "At-Will" executive management position and is second in command organizationally. The Undersheriff assumes office-wide responsibility in the absence of the Sheriff pursuant to Government Code §24105. The Undersheriff reports directly to the Sheriff and serves "at the pleasure of" the incumbent Sheriff. The Undersheriff is eligible for involuntary demotion at the pleasure of the Sheriff to their prior position. This is only available to Undersheriffs who were promoted from a lower classification within Lake County. The Undersheriff does not have appeal rights related to an

involuntary demotion or termination. The Undersheriff is not subject to the protections outlined in 7.1 through 7.1.3.4.

## **7.2 Layoff**

### **7.2.1 Reasons for Layoff**

When it becomes necessary, through lack of work, lack of funds, or whenever it is deemed advisable in the interests of economy or other cause to reduce the number of employees in a department within a given class, the Board of Supervisors, with the advice of the department head, shall prepare a layoff list providing that all extra-help, temporary and provisional employees in the given class shall be laid off before permanent employees.

### **7.2.2 Order of Layoff**

Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary, the order of layoff shall be in the inverse order of seniority within the following categories:

#### **7.2.2.1 First: Employees without permanent status:**

1. Extra-help employees
2. Temporary employees
3. Provisional employees
4. Probationary employees

#### **7.2.2.2 Second: Employees with permanent status:**

1. Employees with permanent status whose last two successive performance evaluations were improvement needed or unsatisfactory overall.  
Regular or supplementary scheduled evaluations may be considered. However, the two evaluations utilized must have occurred at least one year apart to be counted against the two consecutive evaluations rule.
2. All other employees with permanent status.

### **7.2.3 Seniority Defined**

Seniority shall include the employee's total time of service in the affected classification and time of service in higher classes in Units 7 and 16 within the currently assigned department, but shall not include any period during which the employee was (1) on leave without pay; or (2) not actually in COUNTY employment because of their voluntary termination, layoff, or other cause. For any employee who is reemployed after voluntary termination or discharge, seniority shall be measured from the date of their most recent appointment.

### **7.2.4 Notice of Layoff**

The COUNTY shall send written notice by certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, and correctly addressed, to the last known mailing address of the employee as found in their personnel file. In lieu of the above, the COUNTY may serve notice by personal service. Notice of layoff shall be

made at least fourteen (14) calendar days prior to the effective date of the action. If the written notice is returned to the COUNTY marked unable to forward or undeliverable, that shall also serve as proper notice.

## **7.2.5 Demotion and Displacement In Lieu Of Layoff**

### **7.2.5.1 Election and Seniority**

In lieu of being laid off, a regular employee may elect demotion and displacement in the same department to a classification previously held in permanent status by said employee with substantially the same or lower salary range. In order to be eligible for demotion and displacement, an employee must have more seniority than at least one of the incumbents in the demotion and displacement class.

### **7.2.5.2 Within Department Only**

Demotion and displacement rights to specified classifications shall be applicable only within the department and subject to layoff list provisions in this section based on ability and seniority.

### **7.2.5.3 Notice Required**

Employees wishing demotion and displacement in lieu of layoff must notify the COUNTY, in writing, of this election no later than seven (7) calendar days after receiving notice of layoff.

### **7.2.5.4 Salary Placement**

Employees being demoted or displaced shall be placed at the salary step representing the least loss of pay. In no case shall the salary be increased above that received in the classification from which the employee was laid off.

## **7.3 Reemployment After Layoff**

### **7.3.1 Reemployment List**

A permanent employee involuntarily terminated from COUNTY employment by layoff shall have their name placed on a reemployment list by the Human Resources Director. Persons on such a list shall be provided to employing departments in accordance with the County Personnel Merit System for a period of twelve (12) months following the date of layoff. This twelve month period may be extended an additional six months, for a total of no more than eighteen months following the date of layoff, upon the written request of the employee to the Human Resources Director.

### **7.3.2 Conditions for Rehire**

If all of the following conditions exist, the hiring department shall be required to rehire former departmental employees from the reemployment list:

1. The department has previously laid off employee(s) in the class for which it is now attempting to fill a vacancy.
2. The layoff described above resulted in a former departmental



employee being placed on the current reemployment list for that class.

3. The employee(s) in question accept(s) the appointment to that departmental position.

These provisions of rehire apply even if the employee has accepted another position with the COUNTY.

**7.3.3 Adjustment of Anniversary Date**

For the purposes of salary increases within a classification, the anniversary date of any person reemployed under this provision shall be adjusted by postponing the anniversary date last held in a permanent position the number of days equal to the number of days during which the employee was laid off. This above-described procedure shall establish the employee's new salary anniversary date and all benefit and leave accrual rates.

**7.3.4 Reinstatement of Leave Benefits**

Any person reemployed under this section may, within thirty (30) days of reemployment, reinstate all unused sick leave benefits formerly accrued by repayment to the COUNTY of all monies received for sick leave pay-off resulting from their layoff. Furthermore, the employee shall be entitled to utilize sick leave and vacation benefits as if there had been no break in service.

Accrual of such benefits shall be based on the new salary anniversary date.

**7.3.5 Time Limit**

Reemployment rights under this section are limited to twelve (12) months from the date of separation from COUNTY service. A six (6) month extension may be requested in writing from the Human Resources Director, however under no circumstances shall reemployment rights extend more than eighteen (18) months from the date of separation from COUNTY service.

**7.3.6 Three Declinations Removes Employee from List**

Three declinations by an employee of an appointment opportunity from a reemployment list shall serve to remove their name from all reemployment lists.

**7.3.7 Employee Responsibility for Contact**

It shall be the responsibility of the laid-off employee to keep the COUNTY sufficiently informed of an adequate means by which he may be contacted for purposes of this article.

**7.4 Vacancies In County Service**

When a position covered by this MOU becomes vacant, notice of such vacancy shall be posted in each section in conspicuous places in order that all employees may be notified by the COUNTY for at least five (5) working days. If, in the opinion of the COUNTY, all things being equal, COUNTY employees will be given preferential placement to all job vacancies.

## **7.5 Revolving Travel Fund**

### **7.5.1 Amount**

A Revolving Travel Fund in the amount of \$1,500.00 will be established in the Sheriff's Office to provide for necessary travel advance funds when time will not permit employee travel advance funding through normal procedures. Except in situations where the employee has less than ten (10) days' notice of the need for said funds, the employee shall make their request for a travel advance prior to ten (10) days from the date of departure.

### **7.5.2 Accounting**

The Revolving Travel Fund will be established and maintained in accordance with standard procedures relating to Petty Cash Funds in County of Lake departments.

## **7.6 Travel Advance Reimbursement**

Employees issued advance travel money from the Revolving Travel Fund shall be individually responsible for reimbursing the fund after travel is completed. An employee shall reimburse said fund within ten (10) working days of their receipt of travel funds from the Auditor. An employee who must expend personal funds shall be reimbursed for their actual travel expenses so long as said expenses do not exceed the per diem reimbursement established by the COUNTY.

## **7.7 Probationary Period**

### **7.7.1 Defined**

Any person entering COUNTY employment as a peace officer shall serve an initial twelve (12) months probationary period.

### **7.7.2 Promotional Probationary Periods**

Any peace officer promoting within the Sheriff's Office shall serve a six-month probationary period unless, and as a consequence of a substandard evaluation during that six-month period, the Sheriff at his or her discretion and upon approval of the Human Resources Director determines to extend the probationary period for an additional six (6) months.

### **7.7.3 Failure to Complete Promotional Probation**

Any employee who, following promotion, fails to satisfactorily complete the six-month probationary period or the extended probationary period described in paragraph 7.6.2. here in above, shall be permitted to demote to their prior classification with permanent status in that class resuming with the effective date of the demotion.

### **7.7.4 Eligibility for Promotion During Initial Probationary Period**

Employees who have not completed the initial probationary period are not eligible for promotion to Lieutenant or higher classification within the Sheriff's Office.

## **7.8 Extra Work Program**

Employees in the unit shall be allowed to work at a job in addition to their job with the COUNTY. The time employed at the additional job shall not exceed twenty (20) hours per

week or twelve hundred (1200) hours per calendar year. Department head approval shall be necessary to avoid conflict of interest and conflict with scheduled department work hours for the extra hours so employed. No peace officer employed by the Lake County Sheriff's Office shall work off duty in a private security capacity. Any extra work shall be in accordance with existing Sheriff's Office Policies and Procedures and County Policy.

**7.9 Peace Officer Bill of Rights**

The parties mutually acknowledge that the applicable provisions outlined in Section 3300 et seq. of the Government Code apply to unit Employees.

**7.10 Copies of the MOU**

The COUNTY shall provide sufficient copies of this MOU for distribution to all ASSOCIATION members.

**7.11 Notice of Start of Negotiations**

The ASSOCIATION shall notify the COUNTY, in writing, if it wishes to propose changes in any provisions of this Agreement.

**8. CLOSING PROVISIONS**

**8.1 Peaceful Performance Clause**

During the term of this MOU and the period of time reasonably necessary for the meet-and-confer process to conclude a successor agreement to this MOU, neither the ASSOCIATION nor any person acting officially on its behalf will cause, authorize, engage in, or sanction any strike, sick-in, work stoppage, slow-down, picketing other than informational picketing on the employees' own time, concerted or individual failure to report for duty, unauthorized absence, including compliance with a request of another labor organization or meet-and-confer unit to engage in or honor such activities, or any activity by any other euphemism which results in less than the full, faithful, and peaceful performance of any and all duties of employment.

In the event of any activity which results in less than the full, faithful, and peaceful performance of any and all duties of employment by a member of a bargaining unit that is recommended, encouraged, or caused by the ASSOCIATION, the COUNTY shall not be required to negotiate on the merits of any dispute which may have given rise to such activity until such activity has ceased.

In the event that the COUNTY declares in writing during the term of this MOU that members of the Bargaining Unit are involved in such activity, the ASSOCIATION by its officers shall immediately advise its members in writing that such activity, if it exists, is unauthorized. A copy of such written notification shall be transmitted to the COUNTY. If, in the event of any such activity, the ASSOCIATION promptly and in good faith has performed the obligations of this section, and providing the ASSOCIATION has not otherwise encouraged, authorized, or caused such activity, the ASSOCIATION shall not be liable for any damages caused by the violation of this provision. However, the COUNTY does not waive its right to discipline, up to and including discharge, any employee who instigates, participates in or gives leadership to, any such activity herein prohibited; and the COUNTY does not waive its right to seek full legal redress, including damages against any such employee.

**8.2 Savings Provision**

If any provisions of this MOU are held to be contrary to law by a court of competent jurisdiction or a State or Federal statute becomes effective which prohibits the parties

hereto from complying with the provisions hereof, such provisions will not be deemed valid and subsisting except to effect. If possible, the parties shall enter into meet-and-confer sessions for the sole purpose of arriving at a mutually-satisfactory replacement for such provisions.

**8.2.1 County Personnel Rules Provision**

All provisions not contained herein shall be provided for in County Personnel Rules

**8.3 Full Understanding, Modification and Waiver**

This MOU sets forth the full and entire understanding of the parties regarding the matters set forth herein, and all matters within the scope of representation, and any other prior or existing understandings or agreements by the parties, whether formal or informal, regarding any such matters are hereby suspended or terminated in their entirety.

It is agreed and understood that each party hereto voluntarily and unqualifiedly waives its rights to negotiate and agrees that the other party shall not be required to negotiate, with respect to any matter covered herein during the term of this MOU. Nothing in this paragraph shall preclude the parties from jointly agreeing to meet and confer on any issue(s) within the scope of representation during the term of this Agreement. No agreement, alteration, understanding, variation, waiver, or modification of any of the terms or provisions contained herein shall in any manner be binding upon the parties hereto unless made and executed in writing by all parties hereto, and if required, approved and implemented by the County Board of Supervisors and the ASSOCIATION. The waiver of any breach, term, or condition of this MOU by either party shall not constitute a precedent in the future enforcement of all its terms and provisions.

**8.4 Term and Effect**

This MOU represents the entire Agreement between the COUNTY and ASSOCIATION on subjects contained herein and shall become of full force and effect, unless otherwise noted herein, upon ratification by both parties, and unless otherwise noted, shall continue in full force and effect through midnight June 30, 2029, and shall continue from month-to-month thereafter until superseded by a successor agreement; however, it is understood and agreed that no right to a further or additional increase in salary will accrue or is contemplated in the event this agreement must continue in force and effect on a month-to-month basis subsequent to June 30, 2029, as provided herein. It is agreed that the COUNTY may amend, repeal, or adopt ordinances or resolutions as necessary to implement the provisions of this MOU. In the event of conflict with other ordinances or resolutions, the terms of this MOU shall be controlling.

Parties will commence negotiations of potential COLA increases prior to the expiration of this MOU.

**LCSMA Unit 17 MOU July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2029**

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Memorandum of Understanding, negotiated in good faith, to be executed by affixing their signatures below:

**COUNTY OF LAKE**

**LAKE COUNTY SHERIFF'S  
MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
CHAIR, Board of Supervisors

*Richard Ward*

\_\_\_\_\_  
President, LCSMA Unit 17

ATTEST: SUSAN PARKER  
Clerk to the Board

By: \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVED AS TO FORM:  
LLOYD GUINTIVANO  
County Counsel

  
Lloyd Guintivano (Jun 13, 2025 14:13 PDT)

AUDITOR REVIEW:  
JENAVIVE HERRINGTON  
Auditor-Controller

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## Attachment "A" Unit 17 LCSMA - Lake County Sheriff's Management Association Salary Schedule

Year 1			
Class #	Classification Title	Grade	Pay
17-0951	CAPTAIN - SWORN	F65	M
17-0953	LIEUTENANT	F55	M
17-0955	LIEUTENANT - CORRECTIONS	F48	M
17-0949	UNDERSHERIFF	F67	M

7/1/2025-6/30/2026				
Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5
12,081	12,685	13,319	13,985	14,685
9,438	9,909	10,405	10,925	11,471
7,939	8,336	8,753	9,190	9,651
12,693	13,328	13,993	14,693	15,428

Year 2			
Class #	Classification Title	Grade	Pay
17-0951	CAPTAIN - SWORN	F65	M
17-0953	LIEUTENANT	F55	M
17-0955	LIEUTENANT - CORRECTIONS	F48	M
17-0949	UNDERSHERIFF	F67	M

7/1/2026-6/30/2027				
Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5
12,504	13,128	13,785	14,475	15,198
9,767	10,256	10,769	11,308	11,873
8,218	8,629	9,060	9,513	9,987
13,137	13,794	14,484	15,207	15,967

Year 3			
Class #	Classification Title	Grade	Pay
17-0951	CAPTAIN - SWORN	F65	M
17-0953	LIEUTENANT	F55	M
17-0955	LIEUTENANT - CORRECTIONS	F48	M
17-0949	UNDERSHERIFF	F67	M

7/1/2027-6/30/2028				
Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5
12,941	13,588	14,267	14,981	15,730
10,111	10,615	11,145	11,703	12,288
8,505	8,930	9,377	9,845	10,338
13,596	14,276	14,990	15,740	16,527

Year 4			
Class #	Classification Title	Grade	Pay
17-0951	CAPTAIN - SWORN	F65	M
17-0953	LIEUTENANT	F55	M
17-0955	LIEUTENANT - CORRECTIONS	F48	M
17-0949	UNDERSHERIFF	F67	M

7/1/2028 - New Agreement				
Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5
13,393	14,064	14,768	15,506	16,281
10,464	10,988	11,535	12,113	12,719
8,802	9,242	9,705	10,190	10,700
14,073	14,777	15,515	16,290	17,105