On Dissolution and Merger

WHEREAS, the Health Professionals & Allied Employees, Local 5135, AFL-CIO/AFT (hereinafter “Local 5135”) has a history of representing Registered Nurses employed by Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey (hereinafter “Rutgers”) who provide medical and mental health services throughout the State of New Jersey adult and juvenile prison system; and

WHEREAS, Local 5135 has a sister HPAE local with Registered Nurses who are also employed by Rutgers, Local 5089, AFL-CIO/AFT (hereinafter “Local 5089”), with which it has had a cooperative and collaborative relationship for several years; and

WHEREAS, the leadership of Local 5089 desires to take steps to build its power and better represent the interests of its members; and

WHEREAS, the leadership of Local 5135 similarly desire to build power within their constituency; and

WHEREAS, the officers of both Locals, as well as the bargaining committees of both Locals, have had discussions concerning the merger of the two Locals into one Local and one bargaining unit of registered nurses.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT:

RESOLVED, that the Local Executive Board of Local 5135 is united in its interest to merge Local 5135 into Local 5089 in order to provide wage parity among all Rutgers employed Registered Nurses, and to create one strong unified voice for all Registered Nurses employed by Rutgers; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that a properly noticed membership vote, pursuant to and in accordance with Article XI of the 5135 By-Laws, shall be held at least thirty (30) days from the enactment of this resolution; said vote will ask the 5135 membership to support a Resolution Calling for the Dissolution of Local 5135 and Merger of Local 5135 Membership into Local 5089; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, in the event the Local 5135 membership approves said Resolution Calling for the Dissolution of Local 5135, the Local Executive Board of Local 5135 shall take all steps necessary to effectuate the merger of its membership into Local 5089.

ENACTED on This, the 7th day of June 2019 in New Jersey.

[Signatures]

President of Local 5135
Secretary of Local 5135