#### STATE OF WASHINGTON

#### BEFORE THE PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION

In the matter of the petition of:

SERVICE EMPLOYEES INTERNATIONAL UNION LOCAL 925

Involving certain employees of:

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

CASE 135936-E-22

DECISION 13599 - PSRA

CERTIFICATION
Self-Determination by Card Check

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Jennifer Mallahan, Labor Relations Negotiator, for the University of Washington.

### **FINDINGS OF FACT**

- 1. The Service Employees International Union Local 925 filed a representation petition concerning the Optician Licensed Dispensing at the University of Washington Harborview Medical Center. The Public Employment Relations Commission (PERC) determined the petition was timely filed and accompanied by a sufficient showing of interest. No other organization claimed to represent the employees involved.
- 2. The existing bargaining unit, last certified in *University of Washington*, Decision 13534 (PSRA, 2022), represented by the Service Employees International Union Local 925 is described as follows:

All full-time and regular part-time nonsupervisory laboratory technical employees employed by the University of Washington in hospitals and clinics operated by the University of Washington, including the Occupational Therapists I, II, and III; Dietitians I and II; and Social Workers I and II employed by the University of Washington in hospitals and clinics operated by the University of Washington at the University of Washington Medical Center; excluding confidential employees, supervisors, internal auditors, and all other employees.

3. Because the more than 50 percent showing of interest threshold was met, PERC conducted card check proceedings. The employees were given a free choice in the proceedings. The tally of results was provided to the parties. No meritorious election objections were filed.

4. The existing bargaining unit represented by the Service Employees International Union Local 925 shall be modified to include the Optician Licensed - Dispensing for a bargaining unit described as follows:

All permanent and non-permanent nonsupervisory laboratory technical employees employed by the University of Washington in hospitals and clinics operated by the University of Washington, including the Occupational Therapists I, II, and III; Dietitians I and II; Social Workers I and II employed by the University of Washington in hospitals and clinics operated by the University of Washington at the University of Washington Medical Center; Optician Licensed – Dispensing working at Harborview Medical Center excluding confidential employees, supervisors, internal auditors, temporary employees, and all other employees.

#### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

- 1. The unit described in finding of fact 4 is an appropriate unit within the meaning of RCW 41.80.070.
- 2. Representation proceedings were conducted in accordance with RCW 41.80.135 and chapter 391-25 WAC.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

University of Washington Optician Licensed - Dispensing employees in the bargaining unit described in finding of fact 4 have chosen

SERVICE EMPLOYEES INTERNATIONAL UNION LOCAL 925

as their representative for the purpose of collective bargaining with their employer.

ISSUED at Olympia, Washington, this <u>lst</u> day of December, 2022.

PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION

MICHAEL P. SELLARS, Executive Director



# **RECORD OF SERVICE**

## **ISSUED ON 12/01/2022**

DECISION 13599 - PSRA has been served by mail and electronically by the Public Employment Relations Commission to the parties and their representatives listed below.

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