Washington State Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation, Decision 13721 (PSRA, 2023)

STATE OF WASHINGTON

BEFORE THE PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION

In the matter of the petition of:

WASHINGTON FEDERATION OF STATE EMPLOYEES,

Involving certain employees of:

WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF ARCHAEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION CASE 137168-E-23

DECISION 13721 - PSRA

CERTIFICATION by Card Check

Herb Harris, Manager of PERC Activities, for the Washington Federation of State Employees.

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FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. The Washington Federation of State Employees filed a representation petition concerning employees of the Washington State Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation. 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 bargaining unit is described as follows:

All nonsupervisory civil service employees employed by the Washington State Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation, excluding supervisors, Washington Management System employees, confidential employees, 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.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. The unit described in finding of fact 2 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

Washington State Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation employees in the bargaining unit described in finding of fact 2 have chosen

WASHINGTON FEDERATION OF STATE EMPLOYEES

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

ISSUED at Olympia, Washington, this 29th day of September, 2023.

PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION

MICHAEL P. SELLARS, Executive Director



RECORD OF SERVICE

ISSUED ON 09/29/2023

DECISION 13721 - 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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