## **ARTICLE 4**

## **EFFECT OF AGREEMENT**

- 4.1 The parties acknowledge that during the negotiations which resulted in this Agreement, each had the unlimited right and opportunity to make demands with respect to any subject or matter not removed by law from the area of collective bargaining, and that the understandings and agreements arrived at by the parties after the exercise of that right and opportunity are set forth in this Agreement. Therefore, the Employer and the Association each voluntarily relinquishes and waives the right, and each agrees that the other shall not be obligated, at any time during and throughout the term of this Agreement, to bargain collectively with respect to any subject or matter referred to or covered by this Agreement, or with respect to any subject or matter not specifically referred to or covered by this Agreement, even though such subjects or matters may not have been within the knowledge of or contemplation of either or both the parties at the time that they negotiated or signed this Agreement.
- 4.2 This Agreement supersedes all previous Agreements, understandings and prior practices related to matters included within this Agreement. It is understood that all items relating to employee wages, hours and other terms and conditions of employment not covered by this Agreement shall remain at the discretion of the Employer, except that the Employer shall provide notification to the Association prior to the implementation of changes.