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Agreement between Union Junior College, a Corporation of the State of New Jersey with Principal Offices in the Township of Cranford, and Amateur Astronomers, Inc., a Corporation of the State of New Jersey with Principal Offices in the Borough of Roselle Park.

This agreement is made this 31<sup>st</sup> day of January in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixty-four between Union Junior College and Amateur Astronomers, Inc.

Whereas – Union Junior College is a body corporate maintaining an accredited two-year college located in the township of Cranford, County of Union, an institution that has served the citizens of Central and Northern New Jersey for three decades, and

Whereas – the primary objective of this college as a community college of the academic disciplines is the preparation of young men and women for transfer to four-year colleges and universities in the attainment of which goal it has been conspicuously successful, and

Whereas – Union Junior College has been named the recipient of a grant for the purpose of constructing an observatory on its premises, and

Whereas – the College recognizes the need for this facility and is capable of rendering good and valuable educational service to its students and the community, and

Whereas – it is the purpose of Amateur Astronomers, Inc. to promote and encourage popular interest in the science of astronomy by holding membership meetings; conducting public forums; engaging speakers on astronomy and related subjects; holding exhibits of scientific nature; instructing and training members and the interested public in the making of telescopes and other astronomical instruments and their components; giving occasional classes in popular and technical astronomy; developing and encouraging the abilities of its members to engage in research and to lecture and write on astronomical subjects and by associating with other scientific organizations; now therefore

Whitneseth:

First, that Amateur Astronomers, Inc. agrees to supply technical guidance in the planning, construction, and operation of the Observatory.

Second, that Amateur Astronomers, Inc. will construct, install, and donate to the College a reflecting telescope of Observatory quality, the internal diameter of which shall not be less than 20 inches, and a refracting telescope of Observatory quality, the internal diameter of which shall be not less than 8 inches. Accessory

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equipment and facilities for the effective operation and control of both telescopes shall be included in the completed units.

It is understood and agreed that it will take Amateur Astronomers, Inc. from 3 to 5 years to complete their construction program. Amateur Astronomers, Inc. will during this period temporarily install a reflecting telescope and a refracting telescope, the latter being owned by the College and the former instrument being owned by Amateur Astronomers, Inc. With this equipment, the Observatory will be operational upon completion of the building.

Third, Amateur Astronomers, Inc. will have custody of the astronomical equipment in the Observatory and along with the College will have access to the Observatory according to schedules set by the joint policy and planning committee.

Fourth, Amateur Astronomers, Inc. will at its own expense keep the Observatory and astronomical equipment in satisfactory working order.

Fifth, Amateur Astronomers, Inc. and the College will form a joint policy and planning committee. Its purpose will be to work out schedules, offer recommendations to the College for the use of the Observatory and in general act as the administrative committee of the Observatory.

Sixth, Amateur Astronomers, Inc. will carry adequate liability insurance to protect its members from accidents arising out of organizational activities. Amateur Astronomers, Inc., however, will not be responsible for public liability insofar as students or the general public are concerned.

Seventh, if, for any reason, the observatory building shall cease to function as an observatory during the initial term of this agreement, the ownership of the permanently mounted telescopes shall revert to Amateur Astronomers, Inc.

Eighth, Amateur Astronomers, Inc. recognizes that final authority and responsibility for the construction, operation and control of the Observatory rests with the Board of Trustees of Union Junior College.

This agreement will be for a period of 10 years from the date hereof and is automatically renewable at two year intervals thereafter unless cancelled by either party giving written notice one to the other at least ninety (90) days before any termination date.

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In witness whereof, we have this day we have set our hand and seal.

Attest:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Secretary)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

(signed) Thomas Roy Jones  
Thomas Roy Jones  
Chairman, Board of Trustees  
Union Junior College

(L.B.)

Attest:

(Signed) E. T. Pearson  
(Secretary)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

(L.B.)

(raised seal of AAI)

(Signed) Albert J. Blackwood  
President  
Amateur Astronomers, Inc.