1 BEFORE THE TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION 2 OF THE STATE OF OREGON 3 In the Matter of the) STIPULATION OF FACTS AND 4 Educator License of) FINAL ORDER OF DENIAL AND 5 KENNETH S. BRODY) REVOCATION OF RIGHT TO 6) APPLY 7 8 9 On March 15, 2023, the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission 10 (Commission) received a School District Misconduct Report from the North Wasco 11 County School District (NWCSD). The report alleged possible professional misconduct 12 on the part of licensed educator, Kenneth S. Brody, (Brody). 13 After review of the matters alleged, Brody and the Commission agree that their 14 respective interests, together with the public interest, are best served by a stipulation to 15 certain facts and the imposition of a Denial of Application and Revocation of Right to 16 Apply. 17 This Order sets forth the facts upon which the parties have agreed and the 18 sanction to be imposed stipulates that there are sufficient facts contained in the 19 Commission's files and records to support the findings of fact and conclusions of law set 20 forth below. In entering into this stipulation, Brody waives the right to a hearing to 21 contest the findings of fact, conclusions of law and order set forth below. 22 By signing below, Brody acknowledges, understands, stipulates, and agrees to the 23 following: (i) he has been fully advised of his rights to notice and a hearing to contest the 24 findings of fact, conclusions of law, and order set forth below, and fully and finally 25 waives all such rights and any rights to appeal or otherwise challenge this Stipulation of 26 Facts and Final Order of Denial of Application and Revocation of Right to Apply 27 (Stipulation and Final Order); (ii) this Stipulation and Final Order is a public document 28 and disclosed to the public upon request by the Commission; (iii) this Stipulation and 29 Final Order is contingent upon and subject to approval and adoption by the Commission. 30 If the Commission does not approve and adopt this Stipulation and Final Order, then 31 neither Brody nor the Commission are bound by the terms herein; (iv) he has fully read 32 this Stipulation and Final Order, and understands it completely; (v) he voluntarily,

and (vii) he has consulted with an attorney regarding this Stipulation and Final Order

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without any force or duress, enters into this Stipulation and Final Order and consents to

issuance and entry of the Stipulated Final Order below; (vi) he states that no promise or

representation has been made to induce him to sign this Stipulation and Final Order;

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and has been fully advised with regard to his rights thereto or waives any and all rights to consult with an attorney prior to entering into this Stipulation and Final Order and issuance and entry of the Stipulated Final Order below.

STIPULATION OF FACTS

1. The Commission has licensed Brody since February 24, 2017. Brody held a Restricted Substitute Teaching License with an endorsement in Substitute (PK-12) valid from May 27, 2020, through June 30, 2023. Brody submitted an application for a Restricted Substitute Teacher License on May 24, 2023, which remains pending. During all relevant times Brody was employed by the North Wasco County School District (NWCSD) and Employee Education Services (ESS).

2. On March 15, 2023, the Commission received a misconduct report from NWCSD indicating Brody may have committed acts which constitute gross neglect of duty and/or gross unfitness. Specifically, the report alleged Brody engaged in conduct that involved inappropriate use of a school computer and Brody exposing his lower body in a classroom by removing his pants down to his ankles while students were in the building but not in the classroom at The Dalles Middle School.

3. Investigation determined that on March 14, 2023, Brody was seen by a NWCSD staff member while Brody was in the music room, sitting in the front of the room with his pants down and viewing the monitor of his district computer. On March 14, 2023, NWCSD technology staff conducted a web browser filter report on the computer Brody was using and found Brody's login had accessed fifteen (15) pages or websites pertaining to path descriptions of adult females in various bikinis and swimwear with some images of exposed breasts and buttocks of females during the same time period the staff member observed Brody at the district computer in the music room.

4. On March 14, 2023, Brody was issued a letter of termination from future employment with NWCSD.

1 2 3	IT IS SO STIPULATED:
4 5 6 7	Kenneth S. Brody Market Brody 8/30/2024 Date
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9	Cristina Edgar, Professional Practices Director Teacher Standards and Practices Commission Date
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12	CONCLUSION OF LAW
13	The conduct described in section three (3) above constitutes gross neglect of duty
14	in violation of ORS 342.175(1)(b); OAR 584-020-0040(n) as it incorporates OAR 584-
15	020-0010(5) (Use professional judgement), OAR 584-020-0025(2)(b) (Using and
16	maintaining district property, equipment, and materials appropriately), and OAR 584-
17	020-0025(2)(e) (Using district lawful and reasonable rules and regulations); OAR 584-
18	020-0040(4)(b) Substantial unauthorized use of employment time or school resources
19	for private purposes); and OAR 584-020-0040(4)(q) (Unauthorized use of school
20	electronic equipment to receive, store, produce or send sexually explicit materials).
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22	FINAL ORDER
23	The Commission adopts and incorporates herein the above findings of fact
24	and conclusions of law, and based thereon, imposes a denial of Brody's
25	application for an Oregon Educator License and revokes Brody's right to apply for
26	an Oregon educator license.
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28	Issued and dated thisday of February, 2025.
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30	TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION
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34	Melissa Goff Interim Executive Director