

1                   BEFORE THE TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION  
2   OF THE STATE OF OREGON

4   In the Matter of the   )   DEFAULT ORDER OF  
5   Teaching License of                                        )   LICENSE REVOCATION AND  
6   PAMELA SUE UNDERWOOD                                    )   REVOCATION OF RIGHT TO  
7    )   APPLY FOR A LICENSE  
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9           On June 15, 2007, the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission (Commission) issued a  
10   Notice of Opportunity for Hearing to Pamela Sue Underwood (Underwood) in which the Commission  
11   charged her with conviction of a crime listed in ORS 342.143(3). The Notice was sent via U.S. First  
12   Class Mail and U.S. Certified Mail Receipt 7006 0810 0001 4602 1671 to the address Ms. Underwood  
13   provided to the Commission. The U.S. First Class Mail was returned unclaimed to the Commission on  
14   June 12, 2007, and the U.S. Certified Mail returned on June 13, 2007. Another Notice was sent via  
15   U.S. First Class Mail and U.S. Certified Mail Receipt 7006 0810 0001 4602 1763 to the address  
16   obtained by the Commission. The U.S. First Class Mail and U.S. Certified Mail was returned  
17   unclaimed to the Commission on June 18, 2007. The Notice of Opportunity of Hearing, dated  
18   June 15, 2007, and signed by Victoria Chamberlain, Executive Director, stated:

19           "You, Pamela Sue Underwood, are entitled to a hearing on the proposed action of the  
20   Commission. If you want a hearing, you must file a written request for a hearing with  
21   the Commission within 21 days of the date of this notice. Attached to this notice is a  
22   copy of the procedures, right of representation and other rights of parties relating to the  
23   conduct of a hearing as required under ORS 183.413(2)."  
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25           Ms. Underwood did not request a hearing. The Commission, therefore, finds  
26   Ms. Underwood to be in default and enters the following findings of fact, conclusions of law  
27   and order, based on the files and records of the Commission concerning this matter.

28   **FINDINGS OF FACT**

29           1. Ms. Underwood has been licensed by the Commission since September 13, 1990. The  
30   Commission issued Ms. Underwood a Basic Teaching License on March 13, 2006, valid until  
31   March 12, 2009, with a Basic Elementary Endorsement.

32           2. Ms. Underwood began employment as a Substitute for Salem-Keizer Public Schools in  
33   1992.

3. On or about November 17, 2006, Ms. Underwood was convicted of three (3) counts of Criminal Mistreatment I, ORS 163.205 and three (3) counts of Endangering the Welfare of a Minor, ORS 163.575, in the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Marion County.

## CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Ms. Underwood's conviction of Endangering the Welfare of a Minor, ORS 163.575 is listed in ORS 342.143(3). The Commission is required to revoke the Basic Teaching License issued to Ms. Underwood and revoke her right to apply for a license pursuant to ORS 342.175(2).

Ms. Underwood's conviction for Criminal Mistreatment I, ORS 163.205 constitutes Gross Unfitness as defined in OAR 584-020-0040(5)(c). The Commission's authority to impose discipline in this matter is based upon ORS 342.175.

## ORDER

The Commission hereby revokes the Basic Teaching License issued to Pamela Sue Underwood and revokes her right to apply for a teaching license.

IT IS SO ORDERED this 6<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2007.

## TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION

By: Victoria Chamberlain  
Victoria Chamberlain, Executive Director

## NOTICE OF APPEAL OR RIGHTS

YOU ARE ENTITLED TO JUDICIAL REVIEW OF THIS ORDER. JUDICIAL REVIEW MAY BE OBTAINED BY FILING A PETITION FOR REVIEW WITHIN 60 DAYS FROM THE SERVICE OF THIS ORDER. JUDICIAL REVIEW IS PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ORS 183.482 TO THE OREGON COURT OF APPEALS.