1 BEFORE THE TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION 2 OF THE STATE OF OREGON 3 STIPULATION OF FACTS AND 4 In the Matter of the) FINAL ORDER TO DENY 5 **Educator License of** APPLICATION, SUSPENSION) 6 JESSE W. NAILL) OF RIGHT TO APPLY FOR 7 LICENSURE AND PROBATION 8 9 On June 5, 2019, the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission 10 (Commission) received a report from the North Wasco County School District (District) 11 indicating Jesse W. Naill (Naill) may have committed acts of gross neglect of duty and/or 12 gross unfitness. Specifically, the District reported Nail may have engaged inappropriate 13 teacher/student boundaries with a student. 14 After review of the matters alleged, Naill and the Commission agree that their 15 respective interests, together with the public interest, are best served by a stipulation to 16 certain facts, to deny application, the imposition of a suspension of Naill's right to apply 17 for an Oregon educator licensure for a period of six (6) months, and a four (4) year 18 period of probation. 19 This Order sets forth the facts upon which the parties have agreed and the 20 sanction to be imposed. Naill stipulates that there are sufficient facts contained in the 21 Commission's files and records to support the findings of fact and conclusions of law set 22 forth below. In entering into this stipulation, Naill waives the right to a hearing to 23 contest the findings of fact, conclusions of law and order set forth below. 24 By signing below, Naill acknowledges, understands, stipulates, and agrees to the 25 following: (i) he has been fully advised of his rights to notice and a hearing to contest the 26 findings of fact, conclusions of law, and order set forth below, and fully and finally 27 waives all such rights and any rights to appeal or otherwise challenge this Stipulation of 28 Facts and Final Order to Deny Application, Suspension of Right to Apply for Licensure, 29 and Probation (Stipulation and Final Order); (ii) this Stipulation and Final Order is a 30 public document and disclosed to the public upon request by the Commission; (iii) this 31 Stipulation and Final Order is contingent upon and subject to approval and adoption by 32 the Commission. If the Commission does not approve and adopt this Stipulation and

Final Order, then neither Naill nor the Commission are bound by the terms herein; (iv)

he has fully read this Stipulation and Final Order, and understands it completely; (v) he

voluntarily, 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

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1 promise or representation has been made to induce him to sign this Stipulation and 2 Final Order; and (vii) he has consulted with an attorney regarding this Stipulation and 3 Final Order and has been fully advised with regard to his rights thereto, or waives any 4 and all rights to consult with an attorney prior to entering into this Stipulation and Final 5 Order and issuance and entry of the Stipulated Final Order below. 6 STIPULATION OF FACTS 8 1. The Commission has licensed Naill since November 7, 2018. Naill holds a 9 Restricted Teaching License, with an endorsement in Music (PK-12), valid from 10 November 7, 2018, through June 30, 2019. On August 14, 2019, Naill made 11 application for the renewal of his license. Naill's renewal was pended until the 12 investigation process was completed. During all relevant times, Naill was 13 employed by the North Wasco County School District (NWCSD). 14 15 2. On June 5, 2019, the Commission received a report from the NWCSD indicating Naill may have committed acts which constitute gross neglect of duty and/or 16 17 gross unfitness. Specifically, the report alleged Naill engaged in inappropriate 18 teacher/student boundaries with a student at The Dalles High School. 19 20 3. Investigation determined that Naill's first year as an educator was as a band teacher 21 at The Dalles High School for the 2018-2019 school year. Between late 2018 and May 22 2019, Naill engaged in discussions and communications of a personal nature with a 23 student. The discussions included Naill's sharing of his personal experiences in high 24 school and college regarding his sexual orientation, Naill's concerns with colleagues 25 and staff at the school, and the lack of progress of specific students in Naill's band 26 class. Most of these discussions occurred when Naill and the student were alone in 27 the band room at school. 28 29 In March 2019, Naill discussed with the student questions the student had regarding 30 sexual orientation. From this discussion until mid-May 2019, Naill and the student 31 discussed this and other personal topics on the phone, through text exchanges and in 32 person. 33 34 On May 14, 2019, the school received an anonymous complaint concerning Naill's

interactions with the student. On May 14, 2019, the NWCSD placed Naill on

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1 administrative leave. On May 17, 2019, Naill resigned from the NWCSD effective that 2 day. 3 4 5 02/19/2000 Date 03/02/2022 6 7 W. Naff 8 9 10 Trent Danowski, Deputy Director 11 Yeacher Standards and Practices Commission 12 13 CONCLUSION OF LAW 14 The conduct described above constitutes gross neglect of duty in violation of ORS 15 342.175(1)(b); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(n) as it incorporates, OAR 584-020-0010(5) (Use 16 professional judgment); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(0) as it incorporates OAR 584-020-17 0035(1)(b) (Refrain from exploiting professional relationships with any student for 18 personal gain, or in support of persons or issues), OAR 584-020-0035(1)(c)(A) (Not 19 demonstrating or expressing professionally inappropriate interest in a student's 20 personal life), and OAR 584-020-0035(1)(c)(D) (Honoring appropriate adult 21 boundaries with students in conduct and conversations at all times). 22 The Commission's authority to impose discipline in this matter is based upon ORS 23 342.175. 24 25 **ORDER** 26 The Commission adopts and incorporates herein the above findings of fact and 27 conclusions of law, and based thereon, denies Jesse W. Naill's application for an Oregon 28 educator license, and imposes a six (6) month suspension upon his right to apply for an 29 Oregon educator license. 30 Prior to reinstatement, Naill shall successfully complete a Commission approved training course on professional boundaries and provide evidence to the Commission of 31 32 such training. Naill has already completed this requirement through the National 33 Association of State Directors of Teacher Education and Certification "Prevention and 34 Correction" course. Additionally, Naill shall complete five (5) sessions of individual counseling/therapy related to professional boundaries and provide evidence of such 35

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counseling/therapy.

1	Furthermore, the Commission imposes a period of four (4) years of probation
2	upon Naill's licensure to commence upon successful reinstatement of Naill's Oregon
3	educator license and subject to the following condition:
4	1. Naill shall comply with the Standards for Competent and Ethical Performance of
5	Oregon Educators under Oregon Administrative Rules Chapter 584, Division
6	020.
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8	Issued and dated this day of April, 2022.
9	TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION
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13	Dr. Anthony Rosilez, Executive Director