## BEFORE THE TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF OREGON

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2	OF THE STATE OF OREGON				
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4	In the Matter of the	)	DEFAULT ORDER OF		
5	Educator License of	)	DENIAL OF APPLICATION		
6	JOSHUA D. HUNT	)			
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9	On July 30, 2020, the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission		
10	(Commission) issued a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing to Joshua D. Hunt, (Hunt) in		
11	which the Commission charged him with Gross Neglect of Duty and /or Gross Unfitness.		
12	The Notice was sent via U.S. First Class Mail and U.S. Certified Mail Receipt 7019 0700		
13	0002 0914 5007 to the address on file with the Commission. The Notice designated the		
14	Commission file as the record for purposes of proving a prima facie case. The Certified		
15	Mail receipt was returned to the Commission signed. The regular first class mail was not		
16	returned to the Commission, and assumed delivered. The Notice of Opportunity of		
17	Hearing, dated July 30, 2020, and signed by Anthony Rosilez, Executive Director,		
18	stated:		
19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29	"IF A REQUEST FOR HEARING IS NOT RECEIVED WITHIN THIS 21-DAY PERIOD, YOUR RIGHT TO A HEARING SHALL BE CONSIDERED WAIVED UNLESS YOUR FAILURE TO REQUEST A HEARING WAS BEYOND YOUR REASONABLE CONTROL. IF YOU DO NOT REQUEST A HEARING, WITHDRAW YOUR REQUEST FOR HEARING, OR IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR AT A HEARING, OR NOTIFY THE COMMISSION THAT YOU WILL NOT APPEAR AT HEARING, THE COMMISSION WILL ADOPT AN ORDER OF DEFAULT WHICH MAY INCLUDE THE REVOCATION OR SUSPENSION OF YOUR LICENSE OR OTHER DISCIPLINE."		
30	from Hunt or his attorney. The Commission, therefore, finds Hunt to be in default and		
31	enters the following findings of fact, conclusions of law, and final order, based on the		
32	files and records of the Commission concerning this matter.		
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34	FINDING OF FACT		
35 36 37 38	1. On July 3, 2019, Hunt submitted an application for an Emergency Teaching License. Hunt's application is currently on hold pending resolution of this matter.		

1	2.	On August 28, 2019, Hunt's application was reviewed by TSPC staff during a routine	
2		background check and referred to the Director of Professional Practices based on	
3		information received. TSPC staff noted that Hunt had been arrested in North	
4		Carolina on August 3, 2010, for a misdemeanor crime of Making a Harassing Phone	
5		Call. The matter was dismissed by the court. Additionally, TSPC staff noted an arrest	
6		for one count of felony Rape of a Child in 2015. Based on this information, TSPC	
7		opened an investigation into this matter.	
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9	3.	On September 3, 2019, TSPC sent Hunt a certified letter notifying Hunt of the	
10		investigation. On September 11, 2019, Hunt spoke with TSPC staff telephonically,	
11		and reported that he had never been arrested for either of the charges listed above.	
12		Hunt stated that he was going through a custody battle with his ex-wife in 2015, and	
13		she filed charges against him for making a harassing phone call, but the charges were	
14		dismissed in court. TSPC staff indicated they would be mailing a record release form	
15		for Hunt to sign so the police reports related to the arrests could be obtained.	
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17	4.	On March 19, 2020, Hunt responded to the TSPC request for a signed record release	
18		via email by stating: "I have no desire to release these records or continue to pursue	
19		a license at this time. These cases were closed favorably, and I was titled but never	
20		charged nor convicted for the major offense." Additionally, Hunt chose not to	
21		interview with TSPC.	
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24		CONCLUSIONS OF LAW	
25		The conduct as described in sections one (1) through four (4) above, constitutes	
26	gr	oss neglect of duty in violation of ORS 342.175(1)(b); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(p)	
27	(S	ubject to the exercise of any legal right or privilege, failure or refusal by an educator	
28	ur	nder investigation to respond to requests for information, to furnish documents or to	
29	pc	participate in interviews with a Commission representative relating to a Commission	
30	in	vestigation.)	
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1	The Commission's authority to impose discipline in this matter is based
2	upon ORS 342.175.
3	FINAL ORDER
4	The Commission has opted to proceed with a Default Order and Denial of
5	Application.
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7	IT IS SO ORDERED THISday of March, 2021.
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9	TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION
	By: Anthony & Rosilez
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11 12	Dr. Anthony Rosilez, Executive Director
12	NOTICE OF APPEAL OR RIGHTS
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15	YOU ARE ENTITLED TO JUDICIAL REVIEW OF THIS ORDER. JUDICIAL REVIEW MAY
16	BE OBTAINED BY FILING A PETITION FOR REVIEW WITHIN 60 DAYS FROM THE
17	SERVICE OF THIS ORDER. JUDICIAL REVIEW IS PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF
18	ORS 183.482 TO THE OREGON COURT OF APPEALS.