1 BEFORE THE TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION 2 OF THE STATE OF OREGON 3 4 In the Matter of the) STIPULATION OF FACTS AND 5 Educator License of) FINAL ORDER OF PUBLIC 6 ANGELA M. HUFFSTICKLER) **REPRIMAND AND PROBATION** 7 8 On July 6, 2022, the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission (Commission) 9 received a report from the Bethel School District (District) alleging that Angela M. 10 Huffstickler (Huffstickler) made inappropriate comments to students and staff during 11 the 2021-22 school year at Meadowview School. 12 After review of the matters alleged, Huffstickler and the Commission agree that 13 their respective interests, together with the public interest, are best served by a 14 stipulation to certain facts, the imposition of a Public Reprimand of Huffstickler's license, and a three (3) year period of probation. 15 16 This Order sets forth the facts upon which the parties have agreed and the 17 sanction to be imposed. In entering into this stipulation, Huffstickler waives the right to 18 a hearing to contest the findings of fact, conclusions of law and order set forth below. 19 By signing below, Huffstickler acknowledges, understands, stipulates, and agrees 20 to the following: (i) she has been fully advised of her rights to notice and a hearing to contest the findings of fact, conclusions of law, and order set forth below, and fully and 21 22 finally waives all such rights and any rights to appeal or otherwise challenge this 23 Stipulation of Facts and Final Order of Public Reprimand and Probation (Stipulation and 24 Final Order); (ii) this Stipulation and Final Order is a public document and disclosed to 25 the public upon request by the Commission; (iii) this Stipulation and Final Order is 26 contingent upon and subject to approval and adoption by the Commission. If the 27 Commission does not approve and adopt this Stipulation and Final Order, then neither 28 Huffstickler nor the Commission are bound by the terms herein; (iv) she has fully read 29 this Stipulation and Final Order, and understands it completely; (v) she voluntarily, 30 without any force or duress, enters into this Stipulation and Final Order and consents to 31 issuance and entry of the Stipulated Final Order below; (vi) she states that no promise or representation has been made to induce her to sign this Stipulation and Final Order; and 32 33 (vii) she has consulted with an attorney regarding this Stipulation and Final Order and has been fully advised with regard to her rights thereto, or waives any and all rights to 34 consult with an attorney prior to entering into this Stipulation and Final Order and 35 36 issuance and entry of the Stipulated Final Order below.

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1		STIPULATION OF FACTS
2	1.	The Commission has licensed Huffstickler since September 25, 2008.
3		Huffstickler held a Professional Teaching License, with an endorsement in
4		Special Education – Generalist (PK-12), valid from October 24, 2017, to
5		November 9, 2022. During all relevant times, Huffstickler was employed by the
6		Bethel School district (BSD).
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8	2.	On July 6, 2022, the Commission received a misconduct report from the BSD
9		indicating Huffstickler may have committed acts which constitute gross neglect
10		of duty and/or gross unfitness. Specifically, the report alleged that during the
11		2021-22 school year, Huffstickler made inappropriate comments to students and
12		staff at Meadow View School.
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14	3.	Investigation found that on May 17, 2022, several students observed Huffstickler
15		speaking to a fifth-grade student who was studying in the media center at
16		Meadow View School. Huffstickler made a comment to the student about needing
17		to complete his work and Huffstickler made sarcastic threat. Huffstickler said in
18		her Commission interview she often used sarcasm and joked with students, and
19		these types of comments could be taken wrong.
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21	4.	Investigation found that on May 18, 2022, school administrators and staff were
22		discussing the incident from May 17, 2022, in Huffstickler's supervisor's office.
23		Huffstickler went to the office, interrupted the meeting, and initially refused to
24		leave when directed by her supervisor. Huffstickler spoke to those in the room in
25		a raised voice which included expletives, and in an angry tone, questioned staff
26		on why they had not spoken to Huffstickler about the incident. Huffstickler's
27		supervisor asked Huffstickler to calm down. Huffstickler declared, using an
28		expletive, that the supervisor needed to get over it. After being asked to leave
29		again, Huffstickler left the office, slammed the door, and in front of office staff
30		and students in the area at the time, called her supervisor a name comprised of
31		two expletives.
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33	5.	On May 18, 2022, the BSD placed Huffstickler on administrative leave pending
34		the outcome of the District's investigation into the matter. During Huffstickler's

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1	District interview on May 19, 2022, Huffstickler admitted to making some				
2	inappropriate comments in front of staff and possibly students. The District				
3	determined that for Huffstickler to return to work, she would be required to				
4	immediately transfer to a different school in the District. Huffstickler refused and				
5	indicated she would resign. On June 10, 2022, Huffstickler's resignation became				
6	effective. During Huffstickler's Commission interview on September 18, 2023,				
7	she admitted to making some inappropriate comments to staff and possibly				
8	students.				
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16	Angela M. Huffstickler	Date			
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20	Cristina Edgar, Director of Professional Practices	Date			
21 22	Teacher Standards and Practices Commission				
22	CONCLUSION OF	LAW			
24	The conduct described in section three (3) above constitutes gross neglect of duty				
25	in violation of ORS 342.175(1)(b); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(n) as it incorporates OAR 584-				
26	020-0010(5) (Use professional judgment) and OAR 584-020-0020(2)(d) (Skill in the				
27	supervision of students); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(0) as it incorporates OAR 584-020-			
28	0035(1)(c)(D) (Honoring appropriate adult boundaries with students in conduct and				
29	conversations at all times).				
30	The conduct described in section four (4) at	oove constitutes gross neglect of duty			
31	in violation of ORS 342.175(1)(b); OAR 584-020-00	040(4)(n) as it incorporates OAR 584-			
32	020-0010(5) (Use professional judgment), OAR 58	34-020-0025(2)(e) (Using district			
33	lawful and reasonable rules and regulations), OAR 584-020-0030(2)(b) (Skill in				
34	communicating with administrators, students, staff, parents, and other patrons).				
35	The Commission's authority to impose disci	pline in this matter is based upon			
36	ORS 342.175.				
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1	ORDER		
2	The Commission adopts and incorporates herein the above findings of fact and		
3	conclusions of law, and based thereon, imposes a Public Reprimand upon Angela M.		
4	Huffstickler's Oregon educator license.		
5	Furthermore, the Commission imposes a period of three (3) years of probation		
6	upon Huffstickler's Oregon educator license and subject to the following conditions:		
7	1. Huffstickler shall comply with the Standards for Competent and Ethical		
8	Performance of Oregon Educators under Oregon Administrative Rules Chapter		
9	584, Division 020.		
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11	Issued and dated this $\underline{\lambda}_{day}$ day of February 2024.		
12	TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION		
13	STATE OF OREGON		
14	in IN		
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16	Melissa Goff, Interim Executive Director		