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 5 MEHRNAZ SHARIFI-TEHRANI) PUBLIC REPRIMAND 6 7 On May 7, 2018, the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission (Commission) 8 received a misconduct report from the Scappoose School District (SSD), indicating 9 possible professional misconduct on the part of licensed educator, Mehrnaz Sharifi-10 Tehrani (Sharifi-Tehrani). 11 After review of the matters alleged, Sharifi-Tehrani and the Commission agree 12 that their respective interests, together with the public interest, are best served by a 13 stipulation to certain facts and the imposition of a Public Reprimand. 14 This Order sets forth the facts upon which the parties have agreed and the 15 sanction to be imposed. In entering into this stipulation, Sharifi-Tehrani waives the right 16 to a hearing to contest the findings of fact, conclusions of law and order set forth below. 17 By signing below, Sharifi-Tehrani acknowledges, understands, stipulates, and 18 agrees to the following: (i) she has been fully advised of her rights to notice and a hearing 19 to contest the findings of fact, conclusions of law, and order set forth below, and fully 20 and finally waives all such rights and any rights to appeal or otherwise challenge this 21 Stipulation of Facts and Final Order of Public Reprimand (Stipulation and Final Order); 22 (ii) this Stipulation and Final Order is a public document and disclosed to the public 23 upon request by the Commission; (iii) this Stipulation and Final Order is contingent 24 upon and subject to approval and adoption by the Commission. If the Commission does 25 not approve and adopt this Stipulation and Final Order, then neither Sharifi-Tehrani 26 nor the Commission are bound by the terms herein; (iv) she has fully read this 27 Stipulation and Final Order, and understands it completely; (v) she voluntarily, without 28 any force or duress, enters into this Stipulation and Final Order and consents to issuance 29 and entry of the Stipulated Final Order below; (vi) she states that no promise or 30 representation has been made to induce her to sign this Stipulation and Final Order; and 31 (vii) she has consulted with an attorney regarding this Stipulation and Final Order and 32 has been fully advised with regard to her 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.

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1 STIPULATION OF FACTS 1. The Commission has licensed Sharifi-Tehrani since August 27, 1990. Sharifi-2 3 Tehrani holds a Professional Teaching License, with endorsements in Standard 4 Exceptional Learner II (018), and Basic Elementary (016), valid from November 5 16, 2018, through November 15, 2021. During all relevant times, Sharifi-Tehrani 6 was employed by Scappoose School District (SSD). 7 2. On May 7, 2018, the Commission received a report from the SSD indicating 8 Sharifi-Tehrani had engaged in conduct that may be considered gross neglect of 9 duty and/or gross unfitness. 10 3. Investigation determined that on or about April 25, 2018, Sharifi-Tehrani 11 interacted with third grade student DH. DH had been sent to the resource room 12 by his general education classroom for behavior issues. DH was refusing to 13 comply with verbal directions to move from laying / rolling on the floor, where he 14 was a tripping hazard, to the carpet area. DH was upset, non-complaint and was 15 tossing a weighted toy in the air which could have been dangerous, or caused 16 injury to himself or others. Sharifi-Tehrani grabbed DH by the hands / wrists and 17 pulled him to the nearby carpet area. SSD determined Sharifi-Tehrani's conduct 18 in pulling DH to the carpet area violated district policies and was not consistent 19 with Nonviolent Crisis Intervention (NCI) protocols and training; and failed to 20 follow DH's behavior support plan as required by policy. Investigation 21 determined Sharifi-Tehrani had not received recent NCI training. 22 23 IT IS SO STIPULATED: 9-20-2020 Date 10/06/2020 24 Mehrnaz Sharifi-Tehran 25 26 27 28 Trent Danowski, Deputy Director 29 Teacher Standards and Practices Commission 30 31 **CONCLUSION OF LAW** 32 The conduct described above constitutes gross neglect of duty in violation of ORS 33 342.175(1)(b); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(n) as it incorporates OAR 584-020-0010(5) (Use 34 professional judgment), OAR 584-020-0020(2)(d) (Skill in the supervision of students),

OAR 584-020-0025(2)(e) (Using district lawful and reasonable rules and regulations),

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	and OAR 584-020-0040(4)(d) (Unreasonable physical force against students, fellow
2	employees, or visitors to the school, except as permitted under ORS 339.250).
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4	The Commission's authority to impose discipline in this matter is based upon
, 5	ORS 342.175.
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7	ORDER
8	The Commission adopts and incorporates herein the above findings of fact and
9	conclusions of law, and based thereon, imposes a Public Reprimand on Mehrnaz Sharifi-
10	Tehrani's Oregon educator license.
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12	Issued and dated this day of November 2020.
13	TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION
14	STATE OF OREGON
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17	Dr. Anthony Rosilez, Executive Director