1	BEFORE THE TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION								
2	OF THE STATE OF OREGON								
3 4 5 6 7	In the Matter of the Educator License of ISAIYAH KOVACHY)	STIPULATION OF FACTS AND FINAL ORDER OF REVOCATION						
8	On April 19, 2021, the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission								
9	(Commission) received a misconduct report from the Winston-Dillard School District								
10	(WDSD), indicating possible professional misconduct on the part of licensed educator,								
11	Isaiyah Kovachy, (Kovachy.)								
12	After review of the matters alleged, Kovachy and the Commission agree that their								
13	respective interests, together with the public interest, are best served by a stipulation to								
14	certain facts and the imposition of a revocation of Kovachy's Oregon educator license.								
15	This Order sets forth the facts upon which the parties have agreed and the								
16	sanction to be imposed. Kovachy stipulates that there are sufficient facts contained in								
17	the Commission's files and records to support the findings of fact and conclusions of law								
18	set forth below. In entering into this stipulation, Kovachy waives the right to a hearing to								
19	contest the findings of fact, conclusio	contest the findings of fact, conclusions of law and order set forth below.							
20	By signing below, Kovachy ac	knowledge	s, understands, stipulates, and agrees to						
21	the following: (i) he has been fully ad	lvised of his	s rights to notice and a hearing to contest						
22	the findings of fact, conclusions of lav	w, and orde	er set forth below, and fully and finally						
23	waives all such rights and any rights to appeal or otherwise challenge this Stipulation of								
24	Facts and Final Order of Revocation ((Stipulation	n and Final Order); (ii) this Stipulation						
25	and Final Order is a public document	t and disclo	sed to the public upon request by the						
26	Commission; (iii) this Stipulation and	d Final Ord	er is contingent upon and subject to						
27	approval and adoption by the Commi	ission. If tl	ne Commission does not approve and						
28	adopt this Stipulation and Final Orde	er, then nei	ther Kovachy nor the Commission are						
29	bound by the terms herein; (iv) he ha	s fully read	this Stipulation and Final Order, and						
30	understands it completely; (v) he volu	untarily, w	thout any force or duress, enters into						
31	this Stipulation and Final Order and	consents to	issuance and entry of the Stipulated						
32	Final Order below; (vi) he states that	no promis	e or representation has been made to						
33	induce him to sign this Stipulation an	nd Final Or	der; and (vii) he has consulted with an						
34	attorney regarding this Stipulation ar	nd Final Or	der and has been fully advised with						



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regard to his rights thereto, or waives any and all rights to consult with an attorney prior

1 to entering into this Stipulation and Final Order and issuance and entry of the Stipulated 2 Final Order below.

STIPULATION OF FACTS

1. The Commission has licensed Kovachy since March 2, 2016. Kovachy holds a Preliminary Teaching License, with an endorsement in Advanced Mathematics (PK-12), valid from December 17, 2018, through January 4, 2022. During all relevant times, Kovachy was employed by the Wintson-Dillard School District (WDSD).

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2. On April 19, 2021, the Commission received a misconduct report from the WDSD indicating Kovachy had self-reported on approximately March 27, 2021, that he had engaged in an inappropriate romantic/sexual relationship with an 18-yearold female student, "AS." WDSD placed you on leave and initiated an investigation.

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3. According to WDSD and TSPC investigative records, on or about March 27, 2021, Kovachy reported to WDSD staff that he was engaged in an inappropriate sexual/romantic relationship with an 18-year-old former student, "AS." Kovachy told district and TSPC officials that "AS" expressed interest in getting to know him better. "AS" transferred to another school. "AS" asked Kovachy on a date, which he at first, declined. Kovachy stated he researched the propriety of dating a former student over the age of 18, but mistakenly concluded that it was acceptable. Kovachy and "AS" began dating and entered into an inappropriate romantic/sexual relationship. Kovachy told officials that he and "AS" will likely marry. This matter was referred to law enforcement for further investigation, however law enforcement declined to prosecute Kovachy as the student, "AS," was over the age of majority. Kovachy resigned his employment with WDSD.

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IT IS SO STIPULATED:	10/20/2021
Isaiyah Kovachy	Date
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Trent Danowski, Deputy Director	Date

Teacher Standards and Practices Commission

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1	CONCLUSION OF LAW					
2	The conduct described above constitutes gross neglect of duty in violation of ORS					
3	342.175(1)(b); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(n) as it incorporates OAR 584-020-0010(1)					
4	(Recognize the worth and dignity of all persons and respect for each individual), OAR					
5	584-020-0010(5) (Use professional judgment), OAR 584-020-0025(2)(e) (Using district					
6	lawful and reasonable rules and regulations); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(0) as it					
7	incorporates OAR 584-020-0035(1)(b) (Refrain from exploiting professional					
8	relationships with any student for personal gain, or in support of persons or issues), OAR					
9	584-020-0035(1)(c)(A) (Not demonstrating or expressing professionally inappropriate					
10	interest in a student's personal life), and OAR 584-020-0035(1)(c)(D) (Honoring					
11	appropriate adult boundaries with students in conduct and conversations at all times).					
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13	The Commission's authority to impose discipline in this matter is based upon					
14	ORS 342.175.					
15	ORDER					
16	The Commission adopts and incorporates herein the above findings of fact and					
17	conclusions of law, and based thereon, imposes a revocation of Isaiyah Kovachy's					
18	Oregon educator license for a period of one (1) year.					
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20	Issued and dated this day of November 2021.					
21	TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION					
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