

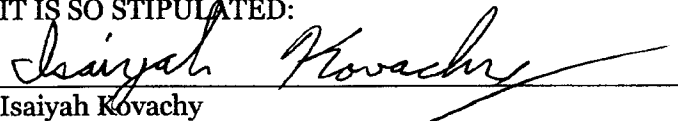


1 to entering into this Stipulation and Final Order and issuance and entry of the Stipulated  
2 Final Order below.

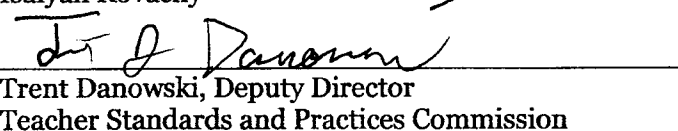
3 **STIPULATION OF FACTS**

- 4 1. The Commission has licensed Kovachy since March 2, 2016. Kovachy holds a  
5 Preliminary Teaching License, with an endorsement in Advanced Mathematics  
6 (PK-12), valid from December 17, 2018, through January 4, 2022. During all  
7 relevant times, Kovachy was employed by the Wintson-Dillard School District  
8 (WDSO).  
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- 10 2. On April 19, 2021, the Commission received a misconduct report from the WDSO  
11 indicating Kovachy had self-reported on approximately March 27, 2021, that he  
12 had engaged in an inappropriate romantic/sexual relationship with an 18-year-  
13 old female student, "AS." WDSO placed you on leave and initiated an  
14 investigation.  
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- 16 3. According to WDSO and TSPC investigative records, on or about March 27, 2021,  
17 Kovachy reported to WDSO staff that he was engaged in an inappropriate  
18 sexual/romantic relationship with an 18-year-old former student, "AS." Kovachy  
19 told district and TSPC officials that "AS" expressed interest in getting to know  
20 him better. "AS" transferred to another school. "AS" asked Kovachy on a date,  
21 which he at first, declined. Kovachy stated he researched the propriety of dating a  
22 former student over the age of 18, but mistakenly concluded that it was  
23 acceptable. Kovachy and "AS" began dating and entered into an inappropriate  
24 romantic/sexual relationship. Kovachy told officials that he and "AS" will likely  
25 marry. This matter was referred to law enforcement for further investigation,  
26 however law enforcement declined to prosecute Kovachy as the student, "AS,"  
27 was over the age of majority. Kovachy resigned his employment with WDSO.

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29 IT IS SO STIPULATED:

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31 Isaiyah Kovachy

10/20/2021  
Date

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33 Trent Danowski, Deputy Director  
34 Teacher Standards and Practices Commission  
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10/25/2021  
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**CONCLUSION OF LAW**

*The conduct described above constitutes gross neglect of duty in violation of ORS 342.175(1)(b); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(n) as it incorporates OAR 584-020-0010(1) (Recognize the worth and dignity of all persons and respect for each individual), OAR 584-020-0010(5) (Use professional judgment), OAR 584-020-0025(2)(e) (Using district lawful and reasonable rules and regulations); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(o) as it incorporates OAR 584-020-0035(1)(b) (Refrain from exploiting professional relationships with any student for personal gain, or in support of persons or issues), OAR 584-020-0035(1)(c)(A) (Not demonstrating or expressing professionally inappropriate interest in a student's personal life), and OAR 584-020-0035(1)(c)(D) (Honoring appropriate adult boundaries with students in conduct and conversations at all times).*

The Commission's authority to impose discipline in this matter is based upon ORS 342.175.

**ORDER**

The Commission adopts and incorporates herein the above findings of fact and conclusions of law, and based thereon, imposes a revocation of Isaiyah Kovachy's Oregon educator license for a period of one (1) year.

Issued and dated this 5 day of November 2021.

**TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION  
STATE OF OREGON**

By  \_\_\_\_\_

Dr. Anthony Rosilez, Executive Director

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