

1 Final Order; and (vii) he has consulted with an attorney regarding this Stipulation and
2 Final Order and has been fully advised with regard to his rights thereto, or waives any
3 and all rights to consult with an attorney prior to entering into this Stipulation and Final
4 Order and issuance and entry of the Stipulated Final Order below.

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6 **STIPULATION OF FACTS**

- 7 1. The Commission has licensed Prater since September 11, 2015. Prater held a
8 Substitute Teaching License, with an endorsement in Substitute Any Specialty
9 (PK-12), valid from December 21, 2017, through July 14, 2021. On June 15, 2021,
10 Prater made application for renewal of his substitute license. Prater’s renewal
11 application was on hold pending resolution of this matter.
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- 13 2. In July 1999, the state of California suspended Prater’s teaching credential for ten
14 (10) days for several minor issues.
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- 16 3. June 1, 2018, the Commission issued Prater Default Order of Public Reprimand for
17 failing to disclose the ten (10) day suspension of his California teaching credential
18 when he submitted applications for licensure to the Commission in 2015 and 2017.
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- 20 4. On or about July 14, 2021, Commission staff noted that on Prater’s most recent
21 application, Prater failed to disclose disciplinary information when answering “NO”
22 to the following character questions on Prater’s application:
- 23 • *Have you ever had any adverse action taken on a professional certificate,*
24 *license or charter school registration by an agency other than the Oregon*
25 *Teacher Standards and Practices Commission? Have you ever been placed*
26 *on probationary status for alleged misconduct while holding a professional*
27 *license, certificate, registration, or credential by an agency other than the*
28 *Oregon Teacher Standards and Practices Commission?*
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 - 30 • *Have you ever been disciplined by any public agency responsible for*
31 *licensure of any kind, including but not limited to educational licensure,*
32 *other than discipline from the Oregon Teacher Standards and Practices*
33 *Commission?*
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- 1 5. On July 24, 2015, Prater submitted an application for employment with the
- 2 Beaverton School District. In questions regarding previous discipline, Prater failed to
- 3 disclose that in 1999, his teaching certificate was suspended in California and that in
- 4 2018, he received a Public Reprimand from the Commission.
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- 6 6. In Prater's Commission interview, Prater admitted to not disclosing the discipline, in
- 7 California to the Beaverton School District and the Commission because he believed it
- 8 was made through an inaccurate depiction of events.
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10 IT IS SO STIPULATED:

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 13 Earl C. J. Prater Date April 20, 2023

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 16 Trent Danowski, Deputy Director Date 04/24/2023
 17 Teacher Standards and Practices Commission

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21 **CONCLUSION OF LAW**

22 The conduct described in sections four (4) and five (5) above constitutes gross
 23 neglect of duty in violation of ORS 342.175(1)(b); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(n) as it
 24 incorporates OAR 584-020-0010(5) (*Use professional judgment*); OAR 584-020-
 25 0040(o) as it incorporates OAR 584-020-0035(3)(a) (*Maintain the dignity of the*
 26 *profession by respecting and obeying the law, exemplifying personal integrity and*
 27 *honesty*); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(c) (*Falsification of any document or knowing*
 28 *misrepresentation directly related to licensure, employment, or professional duties*).

29 The Commission's authority to impose discipline in this matter is based upon ORS
 30 342.175.

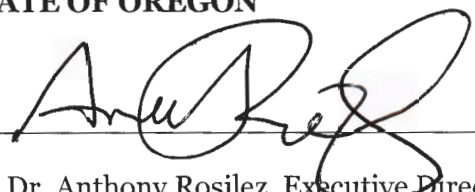
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32 **ORDER**

33 The Commission adopts and incorporates herein the above findings of fact and
 34 conclusions of law, and based thereon, denies Earl C. J. Prater's application for an
 35 Oregon educator license, and imposes a sixty (60) day suspension upon his right to apply
 36 for an Oregon educator license.

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Issued and dated this 21 day of June, 2023.

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

By  _____
Dr. Anthony Rosilez, Executive Director