1	BEFORE THE TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION
2	OF THE STATE OF OREGON
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4 5 6 7	In the Matter of the ) STIPULATION OF FACTS AND Educator License of ) FINAL ORDER OF KATELYNN LAWSON-SHEQUIN ) PUBLIC REPRIMAND
8	On December 28, 2021, the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission
9	(Commission) received a report from the Bethel School District (District) indicating
10	Katelynn Lawson-Shequin (Lawson-Shequin) may have engaged in professional
11	misconduct. Specifically, the district reported Lawson-Shequin resigned and left her
12	position without providing sixty (60) days' notice.
13	After review of the matters alleged, Lawson-Shequin and the Commission agree
14	that their respective interests, together with the public interest, are best served by a
15	stipulation to certain facts and the imposition of a Public Reprimand.
16	This Order sets forth the facts upon which the parties have agreed and the
17	sanction to be imposed. Lawson-Shequin stipulates that there are sufficient facts
18	contained in the Commission's files and records to support the findings of fact and
19	conclusions of law set forth below. In entering into this stipulation, Lawson-Shequin
20	waives the right to notice and a hearing to contest the findings of fact, conclusions of law
21	and order set forth below.
22	By signing below, Lawson-Shequin acknowledges, understands, stipulates, and
23	agrees to the following: (i) she has been fully advised of her rights to notice and a hearing
24	to contest the findings of fact, conclusions of law, and order set forth below, and fully
25	and finally waives all such rights and any rights to appeal or otherwise challenge this
26	Stipulation of Facts and Final Order of Public Reprimand (Stipulation and Final Order);
27	(ii) this Stipulation and Final Order is a public document and disclosed to the public
28	upon request by the Commission; (iii) this Stipulation and Final Order is contingent
29	upon and subject to approval and adoption by the Commission. If the Commission does
30	not approve and adopt this Stipulation and Final Order, then neither Lawson-Shequin
31	nor the Commission are bound by the terms herein; (iv) she has fully read this
32	Stipulation and Final Order, and understands it completely; (v) she voluntarily, without
33	any force or duress, enters into this Stipulation and Final Order and consents to issuance $\frac{1}{2}$
34	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

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(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
 consult with an attorney prior to entering into this Stipulation and Final Order and
 issuance and entry of the Stipulated Final Order below.

## STIPULATION OF FACTS

1. The Commission has licensed Katelynn Lawson-Shequin since April 15, 2021. Lawson-Shequin held a Reciprocal Teaching License, with an endorsement in Elementary-Multiple Subjects (PK-12); English to Speakers of Other Languages (PK-12); and Reading Intervention (PK-12), valid from April 15, 2021, through April 15, 2022. During all relevant times, Lawson-Shequin was employed by the Bethel School District (BSD).

2. On December 28, 2021, the Commission received a report from the BSD indicating Lawson-Shequin may have engaged in professional misconduct. Specifically, the district reported Lawson-Shequin resigned and left her position without providing the district sixty (60) days' notice.

3. Investigation determined that Lawson-Shequin accepted a one (1) year, temporary teaching position with the BSD for the 2021-22 school year. On October 8, 2021, Lawson-Shequin submitted her resignation to the BSD with a two (2) weeks' notice, making it effective October 22, 2021. Lawson-Shequin reported she needed to provide constant care to a close family member with a significant health condition. On October 8, 2021, Lawson-Shequin's supervisor incorrectly informed her there was a thirty (30) day requirement for her to work before resigning. After learning this, Lawson-Shequin extended her resignation effective date to October 29, 2021, to assist the district in locating a replacement. Lawson said she was unable to continue past this date because of the family member's declining health condition. On October 13, 2021, Lawson-Shequin was advised of the requirement to provide sixty (60) days' notice as detailed in state law. Lawson-Shequin said she was not able to meet this requirement because of the assistance she was providing to an infirmed family member.

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4C 5	Katelynn Lawson-Shequin / Date / /
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8 9	Trent Danowski, Deputy Director  Teacher Standards and Practices Commission  Date
10	CONCLUSION OF LAW
11	The conduct described above constitutes gross neglect of duty in violation of ORS
12	342.175(1)(b); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(n) as it incorporates OAR 584-020-0010(5) (Use
13	professional judgment), OAR 584-020-0025(2)(e) (Using district lawful and
14	reasonable rules and regulations); and OAR 584-020-0040(4)(j) (Resignation from a
15	contract in violation of ORS 342.553).
16	The Commission's authority to impose discipline in this matter is based upon
17	ORS 342.175.
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19	ORDER
20	The Commission adopts and incorporates herein the above findings of fact and
21	conclusions of law, and based thereon, imposes a Public Reprimand on Katelynn
22	Lawson-Shequin's Oregon educator license.
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24	Issued and dated thisday of June, 2022.
25	TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION
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29	Dr. Anthony Rosilez, Executive Director