1 2	BEFORE THE TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF OREGON
3 4 5 6 7	In the Matter of the) DEFAULT ORDER OF Teaching License of) IMPOSITION OF WALLACE GENE HARP) PUBLIC REPRIMAND
8	On March 19, 2009, the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission (Commission)
9	issued a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing to Wallace Gene Harp (Harp) in which the
10	Commission charged him with misconduct under ORS 342.175. The Notice was sent via U.S.
11	First Class Mail and U.S. Certified Mail Receipt 7006 2760 0000 1638 5865 to the address on
12	file with the Commission. The Notice of Opportunity of Hearing, dated March 19, 2009, and
13	signed by Victoria Chamberlain, Executive Director, stated:
14 15 16 17 18	"You, Wallace G. Harp, are entitled to a hearing on the proposed action of the Commission. If you want a hearing, you must file a written request for a hearing with the Commission within 21 days of the date of this notice. Attached to this notice is a copy of the procedures, right of representation and other rights of parties relating to the conduct of a hearing as required under ORS 183.413(2)."
20	Certified Mail receipts show that Harp received the notice on March 20, 2009.
21	Harp did not request a hearing. The Commission, therefore, finds Mr. Harp to be in
22	default and enters the following findings of fact, conclusions of law and order, based on
23	the files and records of the Commission concerning this matter.
24	FINDINGS OF FACT
25	1. The Commission has licensed Mr. Harp since July 1, 1973. Mr. Harp currently holds a
26	Standard Administrative License valid March 7, 2006 through March 6, 2011, with a
27	Standard Administrative endorsement.
28	2. During the period of approximately January 2005 to June 2005, while employed as the
29	principal of St. Mary's Cathedral School, Harp stuck already chewed gum on the
30	vehicles driven to school by teacher Liane Rae. This activity occurred on many
31	occasions and upset Ms. Rae, who became upset by this conduct thinking students were
32	targeting her vehicles.

1	3. Mr. Harp continued to place gum on the vehicles after Ms. Rae sought his assistance in
2	the matter. Mr. Harp announced his conduct at a faculty luncheon as a humorous
3	anecdote.
4	CONCLUSIONS OF LAW
5 6	Wallace Harp's conduct toward Ms. Rae constitutes gross neglect of duty in violation of
7	ORS 342.175(1)(b); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(o) (Substantial deviation from professional
8	standards of ethics) as it incorporates OAR 584-020-0035(3)(a) (Maintain the dignity of the
9	profession by respecting and obeying the law, exemplifying personal integrity and honesty). Mr.
10	Harp's conduct also constitutes gross neglect of duty in violation of ORS 342.175(1)(b); OAR
11	584-020-0040(4)(n) (Substantial deviation from professional standards of competency) as it
12	incorporates OAR 584-020-0010(1) (Recognize the worth and dignity of all persons and respect
13	for each individual). The Commission has the authority to impose discipline in this matter under
14	ORS 342.120 through 342.430 and OAR Chapter 584.
15	FINAL ORDER
16	The Commission adopts and incorporates herein the above findings of facts and
17	conclusions of law, and based thereon, hereby imposed a Public Reprimand on the Standard
18	Administrative License issued to Wallace Gene Harp.
19	Issued and dated this day of February, 2010.
20	TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION
21 22	No William
23	By: Miller Mamberlain
24	Victoria Chamberlain, Executive Director
25	NOTICE OF APPEAL OR RIGHTS
26 27	YOU ARE ENTITLED TO JUDICIAL REVIEW OF THIS ORDER. JUDICIAL REVIEW MAY BE
28	OBTAINED BY FILING A PETITION FOR REVIEW WITHIN 60 DAYS FROM THE SERVICE
29	OF THIS ORDER. JUDICIAL REVIEW IS PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ORS
30	183 482 TO THE OPECON COURT OF ADDEALS

ı	CERTIFICATE OF MAILING
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3	I hereby certify that I served the foregoing order by mailing a true copy thereof certified by me
4	as such by U.S. First Class Mail to the Attorney of record for Bruce Edward Jordan:
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6	Wallace Gene Harp
7	1480 NW 113 th Ave.
8	Portland OR 97229
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10	Dated this <u>dd</u> day of March 2010.
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14	By: / / / / / / / / / / / / / / / / / / /
15	Melody Hanson, Executive Assistant
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