1	BEFORE THE TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION
2	OF THE STATE OF OREGON
3 4 5	In the Matter of the) STIPULATION OF FACTS AND Educator License of) FINAL ORDER OF REVOCATION OF LICENSURE)
6	On or about October 3, 2012, the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission
7	(Commission) received a report from the Forest Grove School District, indicating that licensed
8	educator, Douglas Hofmeister (Hofmeister), may have committed acts which constitute
9	unprofessional conduct.
10	After review of the matters alleged, Hofmeister and the Commission agree that their
11	respective interests, together with the public interest, are best served by a stipulation to certain
12	facts, and the revocation of Hofmeister's Oregon educator license.
13	This document sets forth the facts upon which the parties have agreed and the stipulated
14	sanction to be imposed. Hofmeister stipulates that there is sufficient evidence in the
15	Commission's files and records to support the findings of fact, conclusions of law, and order set
16	forth below.
17	By signing below, Hofmeister acknowledges, understands, stipulates, and agrees to the
18	following: (i) he has been fully advised of his rights to notice and a hearing to contest the
19	findings of fact, conclusions of law, and order set forth below, and fully and finally waives all
20	such rights and any rights to appeal or otherwise challenge this Stipulation of Facts and Final
21	Order of Surrender and Revocation of Licensure (Stipulation and Final Order); (ii) this
22	Stipulation and Final Order is a public document and disclosed to the public upon request by the
23	Commission; (iii) this Stipulation and Final Order is contingent upon and subject to approval
24	and adoption by the Commission. If the Commission does not approve and adopt this
25	Stipulation and Final Order, then neither Hofmeister nor the Commission are bound by the
26	terms herein; (iv) he has fully read this Stipulation and Final Order, and understands it
27	completely; (v) he voluntarily, without any force or duress, enters into this Stipulation and Final
28	Order and consents to issuance and entry of the Stipulated Final Order below; (vi) he states that

1	no promises or representation has been made to induce him to sign this Stipulation and Final
2	Order; and (vii) he has consulted with an attorney regarding this Stipulation and Final Order
3	and has been fully advised with regard to his rights thereto, or waives any and all rights to
4	consult with an attorney prior to entering into this Stipulation and Final Order and issuance and
5	entry of the Stipulated Final Order below. In entering into this stipulation, Hofmeister waives
6	the right to a hearing to contest the findings of fact, conclusions of law and order set forth below
7	STIPULATION OF FACTS
8	1. The Commission has licensed Hofmeister since August 9, 1998. Hofmeister currently
9	holds a Standard Teaching License with an endorsement in Standard Physical Education
10	(018), issued July 14, 2010, and expires on July 13, 2015. During all relevant times,
11	Hofmeister was employed by the Forest Grove School District.
12	2. During the period May 2012 and July 2012, Hofmeister exchanged inappropriate
13	communications with a 17 year old female student, including sending the student a
14	friend request on Facebook and messages indicating that she was "hot" and he wished he
15	were 18 and still in high school and that then she could be his girl. Hofmeister
16	apologized to the student for the communications and removed all students as friends or
17	Facebook.
18	3. On or about September 24, 2012, Hofmeister was questioned about the communications
19	by the District. Hofmeister was honest and cooperated in the District's investigation,
20	including providing the District with a copy of the messages.
21	4. Hofmeister retired from his employment with the District on September 27, 2012.
22	IT IS SO STIPULATED:
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24	Douglas Wayne Hoffeister Date 10-31-13
25 26	Victoria Chamberlain, Executive Director Date
27	Teacher Standards and Practices Commission
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1 CONCLUSION OF LAW 2 Douglas Hofmeister engaged in unprofessional conduct as described above. This conduct 3 constitutes Gross Neglect of Duty in violation of ORS 342.175(1)(b); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(n) 4 as it incorporates OAR 584-020-0010(5) (Use professional judgment); OAR 584-020-5 0040(4)(0) as is incorporates OAR 584-020-0035(1)(c)(A) (Not demonstrating or expressing 6 professionally inappropriate interest in a student's personal life), OAR 584-020-0035(1)(c)(B) 7 (Not accepting or giving or exchanging romantic or overly personal gifts or notes with a 8 student), OAR 584-020-0035(1)(c)(D) (Honoring appropriate adult boundaries with students in 9 conduct and conversation at all times); and OAR 584-020-0040(4)(f) (Any sexual conduct with 10 a student), , as defined in ORS 339.370(9) and OAR 584-020-0005(5). 11 **ORDER** 12 The Commission adopts the above Stipulation of Facts, and revokes the educator license 13 of Douglas Hofmeister. IT IS SO ORDERED this // day of November, 2013. 14 15 TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION 16 17 18 Victoria Chamberlain, Executive Director