BEFORE THE TEACHIS STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION

	OF THE STATE OF OREGON
3 4 5	In the Matter of the) STIPULATION OF FACTS Teaching License of) AND RONALD MAX LONG) FINAL ORDER OF REPRIMAND
6	On January 22, 2007, the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission (Commission)
7	received a report from Steve Swisher, Superintendent, Crook County School District, indicating that
8	Ronald Max Long (Long) failed to maintain an appropriate professional student-teacher relationship
9	and failed to use skill in communicating with students.
0	Mr. Long fully cooperated with the Commission's investigation. After review of the matters
1	alleged, Mr. Long and the Commission agree that their respective interests, together with the public
2	interest, are best served by a stipulation to certain facts and a public reprimand.
3	This document sets forth the facts upon which the parties have agreed and the stipulated
4	sanction to be imposed. Mr. Long stipulates that there is sufficient evidence in the Commission's files
	and records to support the findings of fact, conclusions of law, and order set forth below.
6	By signing below, Mr. Long acknowledges, understands, stipulates, and agrees to the
7	following: (i) he has been fully advised of his rights to notice and a hearing to contest the findings of
8	fact, conclusions of law, and order set forth below, and fully and finally waives all such rights and any
9	rights to appeal or otherwise challenge this Stipulation of Facts and Final Order of Reprimand
20	(Stipulation and Final Order); (ii) this Stipulation and Final Order is a public document and disclosed to
!1	the public upon request by the Commission; (iii) this Stipulation and Final Order is contingent upon
22	and subject to approval and adoption by the Commission. If the Commission does not approve and
23	adopt this Stipulation and Final Order, then neither Mr. Long nor the Commission are bound by the
24	terms herein; (iv) he has fully read this Stipulation and Final Order, and understands it completely; (v)
25	he voluntarily, without any force or duress, enters into this Stipulation and Final Order and consents to
26	issuance and entry of the Stipulated Final Order below; (vi) he states that no promises or
	representation has been made to induce him to sign this Stipulation and Final Order; and (vii) he has
28	consulted with an attorney regarding this Stipulation and Final Order and has been fully advised with

1_	regard to his 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. This
3	Order sets forth the facts upon which the parties have agreed and the sanction to be imposed. Mr.
4	Long stipulates that there are sufficient facts contained in the Commission's files and records to
5	support the findings of fact and conclusions of law set forth below. In entering into this stipulation, Mr.
6	Long waives the right to a hearing to contest the findings of fact, conclusion of law and order set forth
7	below.
8	STIPULATION OF FACTS
9	1. The Commission has licensed Mr. Long since Jane 22, 2005. Mr. Long currently holds a
10	Restricted Transitional Teaching License valid September 6, 2006, through June 22, 2008, with a
11	Basic Mathematics endorsement.
12	2. Mr. Long served as a 7 th grade mathematics teacher for Crook County Schools. Mr. Long
13	resigned from his position with the District in lieu of an internal investigation.
	3. Mr. Long expressed professionally inappropriate interest in a student's personal life when
15	he asked her a series of questions about her interests and then prepared a scrapbook of her favorite
16	things.
17	4. It is alleged that Mr. Long made inappropriate remarks to students and one staff member.
18	Specifically that he used vulgar language towards student athletes and mimicked urinating before a
19	classroom on another occasion.
20	5. Mr. Long has voluntarily begun classes to address appropriate professional boundaries.
21	IT IS SO STIPULATED AND AGREED TO:
22 23	Ronald Max Long 6-26-2007 Date
24 25 (26 27	Teacher Standards and Practices Commission S-6-57 Date Date

	CONCLUSIONS OF LAW
	Ronald Max Long's failure to maintain an appropriate professional student-teacher relationship
3	by not demonstrating or expressing professionally inappropriate interest in a student's personal life is
4	a violation of OAR 584-020-0035(1)(c)(A), a deviation from professional standards of ethics as that
5	rule incorporates OAR 584-020-0010(5) use of professional judgment. Mr. Long's failure to use skill
6	in communicating to students when he use of vulgar language in the classroom is a violation of OAR
7	584-020-0030(2)(b). The Commission has the authority to impose discipline in this matter under ORS
8	342.120 through 342.430 and OAR Chapter 584.
9	FINAL ORDER
10	The Commission adopts and incorporates herein the above finding of facts, conclusions of
11	law, and based thereon, imposes a Public Reprimand on Ronald Max Long. This Order shall serve as
12	the Public Reprimand.
13	Issued and dated this day of August, 2007.
15	TEACHIS STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION STATE OF OREGON
16 17 18	By Wictoria Chamberlain, Executive Director
19	Approved as to form:
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23	Attorney for Ronald Max Long [062107]