

1 BEFORE THE TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION
2 OF THE STATE OF OREGON
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4 In the Matter of the) STIPULATION OF FACTS
5 Teaching License of) AND ORDER OF REPRIMAND
6 DOREEN RUTH ANDERSON)
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9 On or about August 26, 2000, the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission
10 (Commission) received information in the form of a newspaper article published in the
11 Register-Guard. The newspaper article indicated that Doreen Anderson, a Eugene
12 teacher, pled guilty to six counts of misdemeanor animal neglect. On September 22,
13 2000, George Russell, Superintendent, Eugene Public Schools, submitted a report to
14 the Commission indicating that Ms. Anderson, a teacher employed by the District, had
15 been convicted of a crime under Oregon law.

16 Ms. Anderson fully cooperated with the Commission's investigation. After review
17 of the matters alleged, Ms. Anderson and the Commission agree that their respective
18 interests, together with the public interest, are best served by a stipulation to certain
19 facts and the imposition of a Public Reprimand. This Order sets forth the facts upon
20 which the parties have agreed and the sanction to be imposed. In entering into this
21 stipulation Ms. Anderson waives the right to a hearing to contest the finding of fact,
22 conclusion of law and order set forth below.

23 **STIPULATION OF FACTS**

24 1. Ms. Anderson holds a Basic Oregon Teaching License with a Basic
25 Elementary Endorsement. She has held a teaching license issued by the Commission
26 since 1984.

1 2. Ms. Anderson is employed by Eugene Public Schools and has been since
2 1986.

3 3. On August 28, 2000, a Judgment Order was entered in Lane County Circuit
4 Court convicting Doreen Anderson of one count of Animal Neglect in the first Degree
5 ORS 167.330; and six counts of Animal Neglect in the Second Degree ORS 167.325
6 (misdemeanor crimes). Ms. Anderson was placed on probation to Lane County
7 Community Corrections for five (5) years with specific and general conditions. In an
8 Order Amending Judgment (a Money Judgment) entered on October 5, 2000, Ms.
9 Anderson is required to pay restitution in the amount of \$4,487.00 within the period of
10 probation.

11 4. The allegations underlying the misdemeanor charges were all off school
12 premises and off duty and there is no evidence that Ms. Anderson engaged in similar
13 behavior at school.

14 5. Ms. Anderson has no prior or subsequent criminal convictions.

15 This stipulation is contingent upon approval and adoption of the Order by the
16 Commission. If the Commission does not adopt this Order, neither Ms. Anderson nor
17 the Commission are bound by these Stipulations and Ms. Anderson retains all rights to
18 a hearing on the allegations.

19 IT IS SO STIPULATED:

20 *Doreen R. Anderson*
21 Doreen Anderson
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6/13/01
Date

23 *David V. Myton*
24 David V. Myton Executive Director
25 Teacher Standards and Practices Commission
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Date

1 **CONCLUSION OF LAW**

2 Ms. Anderson's criminal convictions for Animal Neglect in this matter violate
3 OAR 580-020-0040(5)(c).

4 **ORDER**

5 The Commission adopts the above Findings of Fact and imposes a Public
6 Reprimand on Ms. Anderson. This Stipulation of Facts and Order constitutes the
7 Reprimand.

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9 Dated this 11th day of July 2001

10 **TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION**

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12 By: David V. Myton
13 David V. Myton, Executive Director

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15 Approved as to form:

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