



1 regard to his rights thereto, or waives any and all rights to consult with an attorney prior to entering  
2 into this Stipulation and Final Order and issuance and entry of the Stipulated Final Order below.

3 **STIPULATION OF FACTS**


- 4 1) The Commission has licensed Ahlgren since October 16, 2015. Ahlgren holds a Restricted  
5 Substitute Teaching License, with an endorsement in Substitute Any Specialty (PP-12), valid from  
6 October 16, 2015, through June 30, 2016. On June 24, 2016, Ahlgren made timely application for  
7 renewal of his license and the expiration was stayed pending the outcome of the Commission's  
8 investigation. During all relevant times, Ahlgren was employed by the Umatilla School District.
- 9 2) On May 24, 2016, the Commission received a district report alleging Ahlgren had violated  
10 professional standards related to classroom management. Investigation identified the following  
11 examples of unprofessional conduct:
- 12 • On or about May 9, 2016, while providing substitute services in a music classroom at Clara  
13 Brownell Middle School, Ahlgren lost control of a disruptive class of students. The students  
14 were talking and not following direction. In frustration, Ahlgren knocked over a music  
15 stand. Ahlgren raised his voice at the students, told them to "shut up", and referred to the  
16 students as "idiots" and "smart asses". Ahlgren repeatedly, and inappropriately tapped  
17 student EH on the shoulder area when she attempted to stand up in class.

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19 At the time of the incident, Ahlgren did not have the benefit of a Teacher Preparation Program or  
20 student teaching experience. Ahlgren had a few hours of training on "Safe-Schools" and "Civil  
21 Rights" but had no training on classroom management techniques. Ahlgren has since participated  
22 in coursework related to classroom management and other key areas of his teacher preparation  
23 program. The Umatilla School District removed Ahlgren from their substitute teacher list. Ahlgren  
24 continued to provide substitute teaching services to other school districts without any additional  
25 known issues.

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27 IT IS SO STIPULATED:

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Alexander Olavi Ahlgren

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32 Dr. Monica Beane, Executive Director  
Teacher Standards and Practices Commission

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**CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

The above described conduct that Alexander Olavi Ahlgren engaged in constitutes gross neglect of duty in violation of ORS 342.175(1)(b); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(n) as it incorporates OAR 584-020-0010(1) (*Recognize the worth and dignity of all persons and respect for each individual*), OAR 584-020-0010(5) (*Use professional judgment*), OAR 584-020-0020(2)(d) (*Skill in the supervision of students*), OAR 584-020-0025(2)(a) (*Establishing and maintaining classroom management that is conducive to learning*); and OAR 584-020-0025(2)(e) (*Using district lawful and reasonable rules and regulations*).

The Commission’s authority to impose discipline in this matter is based upon ORS 342.175.

**ORDER**

The Commission hereby adopts and incorporates herein the above stipulation of facts, conclusions of law, and based thereon hereby imposes a thirty (30) day suspension upon Ahlgren’s Oregon educator license as follows:

Alexander Olavi Ahlgren’s Oregon educator license is hereby suspended for thirty (30) days following the adoption of this order.

IT IS SO ORDERED this 21<sup>st</sup> day of June, 2017.

TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION

By: Monica Beane  
Dr. Monica Beane, Executive Director