

**COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION**

<b>DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION,</b>	:	
<b>Petitioner,</b>	:	
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<b>v.</b>	:	<b>PSPC DOCKET NO. DI-20-091</b>
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<b>ROBERT T. ROSATO,</b>	:	
<b>Respondent.</b>	:	

**ORDER ACCEPTING SURRENDER**

This matter is before the Professional Standards and Practices Commission (“Commission”) on the Department of Education’s (“Department”) Motion for Entry of Order. The Motion requests that the Commission accept the surrender of the certificate and employment eligibility of Robert T. Rosato (“Respondent”) in resolution of a Notice of Charges filed against him. The Motion was presented to the Commission at its regularly scheduled meeting on January 11, 2021. After careful consideration, the Commission enters this Order accepting Respondent’s surrender.

**BACKGROUND**

Respondent currently holds an Instructional II certificate in the area of Social Studies 7-12. At all relevant times, Respondent was employed by the Methacton School District. The Department initiated disciplinary proceedings against Respondent with the filing of a Notice of Charges on October 8, 2020. The Notice of Charges alleges that Respondent had inappropriate communications with students. Respondent timely filed an Answer and Request for Hearing. The parties subsequently engaged in settlement negotiations and, on November 10, 2020, Respondent signed an Affidavit agreeing to surrender his certificate and employment eligibility. (Motion for Entry of Order, Ex. 2). On November 23, 2020, the Department filed a Motion for Entry of Order

requesting that the Commission accept Respondent's surrender in lieu of further disciplinary proceedings.

### SURRENDER

Pursuant to the Act, surrender shall mean the termination by consent of a certificate or employment eligibility. 24 P.S. § 2070.1b. Surrender of a certificate or employment eligibility constitutes discipline. Id. The Act authorizes the Commission to accept the surrender of Respondent's certificate and employment eligibility.

### ORDER

AND NOW, this 17<sup>th</sup> day of February 2021, upon consideration of the Motion for Entry of Order filed by the Department of Education, it is hereby Ordered:

1. The Motion is granted, and the Commission accepts the surrender of Respondent's certificate and his eligibility to be employed as a charter or cyber charter school staff member or contracted educational provider staff member.
2. Respondent's certificate and his eligibility to be employed as a charter or cyber charter school staff member or contracted educational provider staff member are, therefore, terminated effective on the date of this Order.
3. The acceptance by the Commission of the surrender of Respondent's certificate and employment eligibility shall constitute the imposition of discipline against Respondent.
4. Respondent is not eligible to be employed in a school entity in a position requiring certification or as a charter or cyber charter school staff member or contracted educational provider staff member, or eligible for any certificate until

his certificate and employment eligibility are reinstated in accordance with the Act.

5. The Notice of Charges filed against Respondent is resolved.

PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS AND  
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By:



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Myron Yoder  
Chairperson Pro Tempore



Attest:

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Shane F. Crosby  
Executive Director

Date Mailed: February 17, 2021