BEFORE THE DIRECTOR DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS BUREAU FOR PRIVATE POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

UNITED SCHOOL OF AMERICA, INC.,

721 East Ball Road, Suite 102

Anaheim, CA 92805

Case No. 1001103

OAH Case No.:2020060101

Respondent.

DECISION AND ORDER

The attached Stipulated Surrender of Approval to Operate and Order is hereby accepted and adopted by the Director of the Department of Consumer Affairs as the Decision in the above-entitled matter.

This Decision shall become effective on_	<u>"2/6/2021"</u> .
It is so ORDERED "December 29	, 2020".
"Original si	gnature on file"
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DEPUTY DIRE	CTOR, LEGAL AFFAIRS DIVISION

DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS

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14	UNITED SCHOOL OF AMERICA, INC.	OAH No. 2020060101
15	721 East Ball Road, Suite 102 Anaheim, CA 92805	STIPULATED SURRENDER OF
16	Approval to Operate Institution School	APPROVAL TO OPERATE AND ORDER
17	Code 3014371	
18	Respondent.	
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20	IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGR	EED by and between the parties to the above-
21	entitled proceedings that the following matters are true:	
22	<u>PARTIES</u>	
23	1. Dr. Michael Marion, Jr. (Complainant) is the Chief of the Bureau for Private	
24	Postsecondary Education (Bureau). He brought this action solely in his official capacity and is	
25	represented in this matter by Xavier Becerra, Attorney General of the State of California, by	
26	Dionne Mochon, Deputy Attorney General.	
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- 2. United School of America, Inc. (Respondent) is represented in this proceeding by attorney James C. Stevens, whose address is: 402 W. Broadway, Suite 400, San Diego, CA 92101.
- 3. On or about May 31, 2002, the Bureau issued Approval to Operate Institution School Code 3014371 to United School of America, Inc. (Respondent). The Approval to Operate an Institution was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation No. 1001103 and expired on June 29, 2020. Respondent submitted a renewal application that is currently pending with the Bureau.

JURISDICTION

4. Accusation No. 1001103 was filed before the Director of the Department of Consumer Affairs (Director), and is currently pending against Respondent. The Accusation and all other statutorily required documents were properly served on Respondent on March 11, 2020. Respondent timely filed its Notice of Defense contesting the Accusation. A copy of Accusation No. 1001103 is attached as Exhibit A and incorporated by reference.

ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS

- 5. Respondent has carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and understands the charges and allegations in Accusation No. 1001103. Respondent also has carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and understands the effects of this Stipulated Surrender of Approval to Operate and Order.
- 6. Respondent is fully aware of its legal rights in this matter, including the right to a hearing on the charges and allegations in the Accusation; the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against them; the right to present evidence and to testify on its own behalf; the right to the issuance of subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents; the right to reconsideration and court review of an adverse decision; and all other rights accorded by the California Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable laws.
- 7. Respondent voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently waives and gives up each and every right set forth above.

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CULPABILITY

- 8. Respondent understands that the charges and allegations in Accusation No. 1001103, if proven at a hearing, constitute cause for imposing discipline upon its Approval to Operate an Institution.
- 9. Respondent understands that by signing this stipulation, it enables the Director to issue his order accepting the surrender of their Approval to Operate an Institution without further process.

RESERVATION

10. The admissions made by Respondent herein are only for the purposes of this proceeding, or any other proceedings in which the Director or other professional licensing agency is involved, and shall not be admissible in any other criminal or civil proceeding.

CONTINGENCY

- 11. This stipulation shall be subject to approval by the Director or the Director's designee. Respondent understands and agrees that counsel for Complainant and the staff of the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education may communicate directly with the Director and staff regarding this stipulation and surrender, without notice to or participation by Respondent or its counsel. By signing the stipulation, Respondent understands and agrees that it may not withdraw its agreement or seek to rescind the stipulation prior to the time the Director considers and acts upon it. If the Director fails to adopt this stipulation as the Decision and Order, the Stipulated Surrender and Disciplinary Order shall be of no force or effect, except for this paragraph, it shall be inadmissible in any legal action between the parties, and the Director shall not be disqualified from further action by having considered this matter.
- 12. The parties understand and agree that Portable Document Format (PDF) and facsimile copies of this Stipulated Surrender of Approval to Operate and Order, including PDF and facsimile signatures thereto, shall have the same force and effect as the originals.
- 13. This Stipulated Surrender of Approval to Operate and Order is intended by the parties to be an integrated writing representing the complete, final, and exclusive embodiment of their agreement. It supersedes any and all prior or contemporaneous agreements, understandings,

discussions, negotiations, and commitments (written or oral). This Stipulated Surrender of Approval to Operate and Order may not be altered, amended, modified, supplemented, or otherwise changed except by a writing executed by an authorized representative of each of the parties.

14. In consideration of the foregoing admissions and stipulations, the parties agree that the Director may, without further notice or formal proceeding, issue and enter the following Order:

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Approval to Operate Institution School Code 3014371, issued to Respondent United School of America, Inc., is surrendered and accepted by the Bureau.

- 1. The surrender of Respondent's Approval to Operate an Institution and the acceptance of the surrendered Approval to Operate by the Bureau shall constitute the imposition of discipline against Respondent. This stipulation constitutes a record of the discipline and shall become a part of Respondent's Approval to Operate history with the Bureau.
- 2. If Respondent or any of Respondent's officers, agents, and/or administrative staff applies for a new Approval to Operate in the State of California, the Bureau shall treat it as a new application for Approval to Operate. Respondent or any of Respondent's officers, agents, and/or administrative staff must comply with all the laws, regulations and procedures for Approval to Operate in effect at the time the application is filed, and all of the charges and allegations contained in Accusation No. 1001103 shall be deemed to be true, correct and admitted by Respondent when the Bureau determines whether to grant or deny the application.
- 3. Within 30 days of the effective date of the Decision and Order, Respondent shall pay to the Bureau costs associated with its investigation and enforcement pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 125.3 in the amount of \$7,500.00 within thirty days of signing this stipulation.

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1	ACCEPTANCE		
2	I have carefully read the above Stipulated Surrender of Approval to Operate and Order and		
3	have fully discussed it with my attorney James C. Stevens. I understand the stipulation and the		
4	effect it will have on my Approval to Operate an Institution. I enter into this Stipulated Surrender		
5	of Approval to Operate and Order voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently, and agree to be		
6	bound by the Decision and Order of the Director of the Department of Consumer Affairs.		
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12	I have read and fully discussed with Respondent United School of America, Inc. the te	erms	
13	and conditions and other matters contained in this Stipulated Surrender of Approval to Oper	ate	
14	and Order. I approve its form and content.		
15	DATED: "9/29/2020" "Original signature on file" JAMES C. STEVENS	_	
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18 19 20 21	The foregoing Stipulated Surrender of Approval to Operate and Order is hereby respect submitted for consideration by the Director of Consumer Affairs.	etfully	
22	DATED: Respectfully submitted,		
23	XAVIER BECERRA Attorney General of California		
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27	DIONNE MOCHON Deputy Attorney General Attorneys for Complainant		
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8	DATED:		
9 10	Authorized agent for UNITED SCHOOL OF AMERICA, INC. Respondent		
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15	DATED:		
16	JAMES C. STEVENS Attorney for Respondent		
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18	ENDORSEMENT The formation Stimulated Symmetry and Augustales Organics and Order is benefity assumentfully.		
19 20	The foregoing Stipulated Surrender of Approval to Operate and Order is hereby respectfully submitted for consideration by the Director of Consumer Affairs.		
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22	DATED: <u>"9/30/2020"</u> Respectfully submitted,		
23	Xavier Becerra Attorney General of California		
24	MARICHELLE S. TAHIMIC Supervising Deputy Attorney General		
25	"Original signature on file"		
26	DIONNE MOCHON		
27	Deputy Attorney General Attorneys for Complainant		
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