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8	BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS			
9	FOR THE BUREAU FOR PRIVATE POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION STATE OF CALIFORNIA			
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11	In the Matter of the Accusation Against:	Case No. 1000954		
12	EMS TRAINING INSTITUTE, INC.; MARK KOMINS, 50% OWNER; RONA	OAH No. 2016050288		
13	KOMINS, 50% OWNER 45 W. Easy Street, Ste. #2	STIPULATED SURRENDER OF APPROVAL TO OPERATE AND		
14	Simi Valley, CA 93065	ORDER		
15	Approval to Operate an Institution Non- Accredited			
16	Institution Code: 41500904			
17	Respondent.			
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19	IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and between the parties to the above-			
20	entitled proceedings that the following matters are true:			
21	PARTIES			
22	1. Joanne Wenzel (Complainant) is the Chief of the Bureau for Private Postsecondary			
23	Education (Bureau). She brought this action solely in her official capacity and is represented in			
24	this matter by Kamala D. Harris, Attorney Gener	al of the State of California, by Antonio Lopez,		
25	Jr., Deputy Attorney General.			
26	2. EMS Training Institute, Inc.; Mark K	Komins, 50% Owner; Rona Komins, 50% Owner		
27	(Respondent) is represented in this proceeding by attorney Alexander Robertson, whose address			
28	is 32121 Lindero Canyon Road, Suite 200, Westlake Village, CA 91361.			
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1	JURISDICTION		
2	3. Accusation No. 1000954 was filed on November 17, 2016. The Accusation and all		
3	other statutorily required documents were properly served on Respondent on November 23, 2016.		
4	Respondent timely filed his Notice of Defense contesting the Accusation. A copy of Accusation		
5	No. 1000954 is attached as Exhibit A and incorporated by reference.		
6	ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS		
7	4. Respondent has carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and understands the		
8	charges and allegations in Accusation No. 1000954. Respondent also has carefully read, fully		
9	discussed with counsel, and understands the effects of this Stipulated Surrender of Approval to		
10	Operate and Order.		
11	5. Respondent is fully aware of his legal rights in this matter, including the right to a		
12	hearing on the charges and allegations in Accusation No. 1000954; the right to confront and		
13	cross-examine the witnesses against him; the right to present evidence and to testify on his own		
14	behalf; the right to the issuance of subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the		
15	production of documents; the right to reconsideration and court review of an adverse decision;		
16	and all other rights under the California Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable laws.		
17	6. Respondent voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently waives and gives up each and		
18	every right set forth above.		
19	<u>CULPABILITY</u>		
20	7. Respondent understands and agrees that the charges and allegations in Accusation		
21	No. 1000954, if proven at a hearing, constitute cause for imposing discipline upon his Approval		
22	to Operate Institution Non-Accredited.		
23	8. For the purpose of resolving the Accusation without the expense and uncertainty of		
24	further proceedings, Respondent agrees that, at a hearing, Complainant could establish a factual		
25	basis for the charges in the Accusation, and that Respondent hereby gives up his right to contest		
26	those charges.		
27	9. Respondent agrees that his Approval to Operate Institution Non-Accredited is subject		
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1	to discipline and he agrees to be bound by the Board's terms as set forth in the Disciplinary Order			
2	below.			
3	10. Respondent understands that by signing this stipulation he enables the Director to			
4	issue this order accepting the surrender of his Approval to Operate an Institution, Non-			
5	Accredited, without further process.			
6	CONTINGENCY			
7	11. This stipulation shall be subject to approval by the Director or the Director's designee.			
8	Respondent understands and agrees that counsel for Complainant and the staff of the Bureau for			
9	Private Postsecondary Education may communicate directly with the Director and staff regarding			
10	this stipulation and surrender, without notice to or participation by Respondent or his counsel. By			
11	signing the stipulation, Respondent understands and agrees that he may not withdraw his			
12	agreement or seek to rescind the stipulation prior to the time the Director considers and acts upon			
13	it. If the Director fails to adopt this stipulation as the Decision and Order, the Stipulated			
14	Surrender of Approval to Operate shall be of no force or effect, except for this paragraph, it shall			
15	be inadmissible in any legal action between the parties, and the Director shall not be disqualified			
16	from further action by having considered this matter.			
17	12. The parties understand and agree that Portable Document Format (PDF) and facsimile			
18	copies of this Stipulated Surrender of License and Order, including Portable Document Format			
19	(PDF) and facsimile signatures thereto, shall have the same force and effect as the originals.			
20	13. This Stipulated Surrender of Approval to Operate and Order is intended by the parties			
21	to be an integrated writing representing the complete, final, and exclusive embodiment of their			
22	agreement. It supersedes any and all prior or contemporaneous agreements, understandings,			
23	discussions, negotiations, and commitments (written or oral). This Stipulated Surrender of			
24	Approval to Operate and Order may not be altered, amended, modified, supplemented, or			
25	otherwise changed except by a writing executed by an authorized representative of each of the			
26	parties.			
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1	14.	In consideration of the foregoing admissions and stipulations, the parties agree that
2	the Directo	or may, without further notice or formal proceeding, issue and enter the following
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1	ORDER		
2	IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Approval to Operate Institution Code Number		
3	41500904 issued to Respondent EMS Training Institute, Inc., is surrendered and accepted by the		
4	Director of the Department of Consumer Affairs.		
5	1. Respondent agrees to withdraw its request for Administrative hearing filed on August		
6	17, 2015.		
7	2. The Bureau will allow Respondent to complete its current approved programs until		
8	February 28, 2017. Respondent agrees to close all approved programs on February 28, 2017.		
9	3. Respondent agrees to voluntarily surrender its approval to operate to the Bureau on		
10	February 28, 2017. Respondent shall lose all rights and privileges as a private postsecondary		
11	institution in California as of that date.		
12	4. The surrender of Respondent's approval to operate and the acceptance of the		
13	surrendered approval to operate by the Bureau shall constitute the imposition of discipline against		
14	Respondent. This Stipulated Surrender of Approval to Operate constitutes a record of the		
15	discipline and shall become a part of Respondent's license history with the Bureau.		
16	5. Respondent agrees that the Bureau retains jurisdiction over Respondent until		
17	Respondent surrenders its approval to operate to the Bureau. Respondent also agrees to abide by		
18	the provisions of the Private Postsecondary Education Act of 2009 and the Bureau's regulations		
19	until Respondent surrenders its approval to operate to the Bureau.		
20	6. Respondent agrees that until Respondent surrenders its approval to operate to the		
21	Bureau, the Bureau, pursuant to its authority under Education Code section 94932, may send staff		
22	to Respondent's site and require documents and responses from Respondent in order to monitor		
23	Respondent's compliance with the requirements of the Private Postsecondary Education Act of		
24	2009.		
25	7. Respondent agrees not to enroll any students that are not currently enrolled in		
26	Respondent's approved educational programs.		
27	8. Except for Respondent's current approved programs in which students are currently		
28	enrolled, which will close on February 28, 2017, Respondent shall no longer operate educational		
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programs in California for which an approval to operate is required under the Private 1 2 Postsecondary Education Act of 2009. This prohibition will take effect on the date the parties sign this Stipulated Surrender of Approval to Operate. 3

9. 4 In the event students currently enrolled in Respondent's approved programs are unable to complete the program(s) by the closure date (February 28, 2017), Respondent will issue 5 6 a full tuition refund to those students.

10. No later than January 31, 2017, Respondent shall submit to the Bureau a completed 7 School Closure Plan Form, including all required documentation specified in that Form, pursuant 8 to Education Code section 94926. Respondent agrees to comply with all of the required school 9 closure procedures. 10

11 11. Respondent may, at any time, submit an Application for Approval to Operate to the Bureau. If Respondent ever submits an Application for Approval to Operate to the Bureau, the 12 Bureau shall treat it as a new Application for Approval to Operate. Respondent must comply 13 with all the laws, regulations, and procedures for issuance of an approval to operate in effect at 14 the time the application is filed, and all of the charges and allegations contained in Accusation 15 No. 1000954 shall be deemed to be true, correct, and admitted by Respondent when the Bureau 16 determines whether to grant or deny the application. 17

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12. If Respondent is granted an Approval to Operate, it shall pay to the Bureau costs associated with its investigation and enforcement pursuant to Education Code section 94937 and 19 Business and Professions Code section 125.3 in the amount of \$5,695.00. 20

13. Within fifteen days of the effective date of this decision, Respondent must provide to 21 the bureau a roster with the names, addresses, phone numbers, e-mail addresses and programs in 22 23 which they were or are enrolled, of all persons who are currently or were students of the institution within sixty days prior to the effective date of this Decision, and those students who 24 were enrolled at the time of the conduct that is the subject of this action. 25

14. If Respondent fails to comply with the terms of this Stipulated Surrender of Approval 26to Operate, the stipulation shall be nullified and the Bureau reserves the right to pursue 27 disciplinary action against Respondent. 28

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ACCEPTANCE 1 I have carefully read the above Stipulated Surrender of Approval to Operate and Order and 2 have fully discussed it with my attorney, Alexander Robertson. I understand the stipulation and 3 4 the effect it will have on my Approval to Operate an Institution Non-Accredited. I enter into this 5 Stipulated Surrender of Approval to Operate and Order voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently, and agree to be bound by the Decision and Order of the Director of the Dopartment of Consumer 6 Affairs. 7 2016 (2/630 DATED: 8 EMS TRAINING INSTITUTE, INC 9 KOMINS, 50% OWNER; RONA KOMINS, 50% OWNER 10 Respondent 11 I have read and fully discussed with Respondent EMS Training Institute, Inc.; Mark 12 Komins, 50% Owner; Rona Komins, 50% Owner the terms and conditions and other matters 13 contained in this Stipulated Surrender of Approval to Operate and Order. I approve its form and 14 content. 15 2/16 DATED: ALEXANDER ROBERTSON 16 Attorney for Respondent 17 ENDORSEMENT 18 19 The foregoing Stipulated Surrender of Approval to Operate and Order is hereby respectfully 20 submitted for consideration by the Director of the Department of Consumer Affairs. 21 Dated: Respectfully submitted, 22 12/7/16 KAMALAD, ATARRIS 23 Attorney General of California LINÓA Ľ. SUM 24 Supervising/Deputy Attorney General 25 26 NYONIO LOPEZ/JR. Deputy Atformey General 27 Attorneys for Complainant 28 7 Supulated Surrender of Approval to Operate (Case No. 1000954)

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

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Approval to Operate an Accredited Institution No. 41500904 Case No. 1000954

ORDER OF DECISION

Respondent.

DECISION

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

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The Decision shall become effective _______

DATED: <u>76 bruary 23, 2017</u>

DOREATHEA JOHNSON Deputy Director, Legal Affairs Department of Consumer Affairs