# STATE OF FLORIDA DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

PALM BEACH COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD,

Petitioner,

DOAH Case No. 20-0013TTS

VS.

BERNARD JEAN LOUIS,

Respondent.

### **FINAL ORDER**

THIS CAUSE, came before The School Board of Palm Beach County, Florida (hereinafter referred to as "SCHOOL BOARD") pursuant to §120.569 and §120.57, Fla. Stat., after an administrative hearing was conducted before the Honorable Robert Kilbride on January 6-7, 2021. The Recommended Order was entered by the Honorable Robert Kilbride on April 14, 2021. Neither Party has filed exceptions to the Recommended Order.

#### IT IS ORDERED AND ADJUDGED as follows:

- 1. That the School Board has jurisdiction of this matter pursuant to §120.57, Fla. Stat.
- 2. That the School Board hereby accepts and approves the Recommended Order, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.
- 3. That Respondent, Bernard Jean Louis, is suspended without pay and his employment is terminated.
- 4. That this Final Order shall take effect upon being filed with the Clerk of the School Board.

DONE and ORDERED this 24th day of June, 2021.

The School Board of Palm Beach County, Florida

Frank Barbieri, Esq., Chairman

Donald E. Fennoy, II, Ed, D., Superintendent

#### NOTICE OF RIGHT TO JUDICIAL REVIEW

This Final Order constitutes final agency action. Any party who is adversely affected by this Final Order has the right to seek judicial review of the Final Order pursuant to Section 120.68, Fla. Stat. Review proceedings are governed by the Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure. Such proceedings are commenced by filing one copy of a notice of appeal with the agency clerk of The School Board of Palm Beach County, Florida, and a second copy, accompanied by appropriate filing fees as prescribed by law, with Fourth District Court of Appeals, or with the District Court of Appeal in the Appellate District, where the party resides, if applicable. The notice of appeal must be filed within thirty (30) days of rendition of the Order to be reviewed.

Respectfully submitted this

day of June, 2021.

Shawntoyia Bernard, Esq., General Counsel

The School Board of Palm Beach County, Florida

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this <u>24th</u> day of June, 2021, a true and correct copy of the foregoing document was served by Electronic Mail to: Charles D. Thomas, Esq., counsel for Respondent, 1801 Indian Road, Suite 100, West Palm Beach, FL 33409, <u>lawyers@tntlegal.com</u>, <u>srodriguez@tntlegal.com</u>, and <u>service@tntlegal.com</u>.

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