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**BEFORE THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE TRAINING COMMISSION
IN AND FOR THE STATE OF WASHINGTON**

In re the Certification of

NO. 20-786

CHAD A. GORTON

STATEMENT OF CHARGES

Respondent.

On March 20, 2020, CHAD A. GORTON, a certified peace officer with the Spokane County Sheriff's Office, was discharged for disqualifying misconduct pursuant to RCW 43.101.105(d), RCW 43.101.010(8)(a)(i)(B), and RCW 43.101.010(8)(b). The disqualifying misconduct included conduct constituting a crime involving dishonesty or false statement within the meaning of Evidence Rule 609(a), to wit: Making a False or Misleading Statement to a Public Servant. RCW 9A.76.175. The disqualifying misconduct is as follows:

Count I

Between December 30, 2019 and March 10, 2020, GORTON engaged in conduct constituting the crime of Making a False or Misleading Statement to a Public Servant when he knowingly provided false or misleading material statements to at least one of the following officers: Sergeant Marty Pannell, Sergeant Dave Thornberg, Detective Craig Wendt, and/or Sergeant Tim Hines. GORTON knew that these public servants were reasonably likely to rely upon his statements in the discharge of their official powers or duties. RCW 9A.76.175.

1 The discharge is final and some or all of the acts or omissions forming the basis
2 for the discharge proceedings occurred on or after January 1, 2002.
3 RCW 43.101.105(d).

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5 DATED this 23 day of July, 2021.

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7 By:

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10 Kevin W. Zeller,
11 Assistant Director
12 Washington State Criminal Justice Training Commission
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