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THE THIRD TALK™ ANNOUNCES AN INTERNET SAFETY AWARENESS EVENT

For Immediate Release

(Asheville, NC, January 11, 2021) –The Third Talk Inc. today announced an Internet Safety Awareness Event to be held at The Renaissance Hotel in Asheville on Thursday February 10th at 6:00pm. Please join us for two hours of incredibly important and necessary information regarding Internet Safety, Human Trafficking, and youth exposure to online pornography.

Speakers include Pediatrician Dr. Olson Huff, Author Deborah Berry, ICAC Commander Kevin Roughton, State Senator Terry Van Duyn, and The Third Talk Founder John Van Arnam.

The recent announcement by Billie Eilish as to her own pornography use at age 11 has opened up the door for parents to have an important conversation with their young people. “We at The Third Talk could not be more grateful to Billie Eilish for her bravery,” said John Van Arnam, Founder of The Third Talk™. “Her stepping up and sharing her experience publicly could mean more children across the country and around the world can safely acknowledge their viewing of this content, without the shame and blame that has always accompanied those admissions.”

This has also given parents the perfect opportunity to begin a conversation with their own kids. Parents now just need to say; “Did you know that Billie Eilish saw porn at age 11? Do your friend’s watch porn?” “Most parents don’t realize how young their children are when they first see pornography online,” said Van Arnam. “It is not just something that *some* children will see, it is explicit hardcore sexual media that *ALL* children will see.”

“This material can be debilitating for our young people.” continued Van Arnam. “It can actually alter and damage a child’s physical brain, impair their emotional health, and dramatically impact their ability to thoughtfully engage in real life with others in adolescence and even into adulthood; robbing them of what should be a healthy journey towards maturity.” In working with youth and their parents, The Third Talk™ hopes to break the silence adults have on this subject and help guide them through the discomfort of initiating a “pornography prevention” conversation in their own homes. “Parents need to have this discussion by age 8,” said Van Arnam, “and we have a guide that will help them do that.”

Please join The Third Talk on February 10th, 2022, at 6:00pm at the Renaissance Hotel
31 Woodfin Street Asheville NC 28801

* Please pre-register for this event at <http://www.thethirdtalk.org/events/>

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