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The Hungry Snake Runs Loose!

The Hungry Snake children’s book reaches Best Seller ahead of schedule and helps save the lives of unwanted newborns.

Former television news reporter Suzanne Hobbs released the first in a series of children’s books with proceeds going to the National Safe Haven Alliance. *The Hungry Snake* is based on a favorite story told to her adopted daughter, Lilly Love, who is also a Safe Haven baby. The book wasn’t supposed to launch until Nov. 1st, but thanks to persistent fans, it became a Best Seller on Oct. 27th! It can be purchased on Amazon and Barnes and Noble for \$12.95 as well as an eBook.

PARENTAL WARNING: BE PREPARED TO READ THIS BOOK OVER AND OVER AND OVER.

In 2000, Hobbs was the first reporter on scene in Idaho Falls, Idaho, where police discovered the body of a newborn baby in a dumpster. The baby did not survive and the 18 year old mother was sentenced to jail for the unlawful disposal of a body. At the time, Suzanne and her husband were trying to have a child and could not fathom why someone would do such a thing. She advocated to have a Safe Haven Law passed in Idaho, and the following year it was approved with flying colors. The Governor credited Hobbs for her efforts on this life-saving law, which allows parents to safely surrender their unwanted newborn at designated “safe places”, such as a police station, fire station or hospital without fear or prosecution.

Suzanne states, “I wrote this book as a way to make people aware that no child needs to be left to die. Without knowledge comes fear...and people do desperate things out of fear. *The Hungry Snake* is a story I told to my daughter and her friend’s years ago and it always makes them laugh. I’ve had to tell it over and over and over again while the children add to the story and interact. My goal is to raise funds through book sales for the National Safe Haven Alliance and create Public Service Announcements across the country. My dream is that every mother knows she has options – no questions asked.”

In 2003 Suzanne adopted her daughter, Lilly Love, who was left at the hospital by her birth mother, who knew about the Safe Haven law. Lilly is fully aware of her special background, and at 13 years old, is speaking out to help save the lives of other babies like herself.

Tracey Johnson, Executive Director of the Safe Haven Alliance in Washington, D.C., sent a letter of support and has recognized Hobbs and the new media spokesperson of the

organization. She praises Suzanne stating, "Your generosity will help numerous women in distress make a safe decision for their baby, which will also allow them to move forward in their lives, free from the threat of prosecution, and with the knowledge that they did what was in the best interest of their child. Countless numbers of infants will be safe and secure, in loving families, due to your effort and dedication."

Hobbs is currently working with groups in Washington, D.C. to make the law federal and is also raising awareness in Canada. As of now, the Safe Haven Law is in all 50 states, but each state has different rules regarding how long after birth and where a baby can be surrendered.

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