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Building Hope Today Officially Established

Nonprofit focused on raising awareness of childhood sexual abuse

IDAHO FALLS, Idaho – May 1, 2017 – The founders of Building Hope Today are proud to announce its official establishment as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit with a mission to create awareness of the prevalence of childhood sexual abuse, reveal its lasting effects, and to safeguard those at risk on the path toward a hope-filled tomorrow.

This is an issue that is very near to Matt Morgan's heart, as he too was sexually abused as a child. "I have had the opportunity to begin the healing process from what happened to me as a child and I want to create the same opportunity for children today," shared Matt. "As I went through the legal process that my case took me through, at times it was very taxing and my only motivation to continue was to help 'just one' child. That's the only thing that kept me going and that is why Building Hope Today was created."

For the past two years, founders Matt and Lynne Morgan and their team have been identifying and connecting with organizations and institutions that work with anyone handling the ripple effect of childhood sexual abuse, including nonprofit organizations across the country. Recognizing that men like him who have suffered from sexual child abuse often end up in prisons and cemeteries, Matt visited four prisons to talk with inmates about past behavior in effort to begin to break the cycle of abuse. Through restorative justice, Matt hopes to reduce the recidivism rate of those men and women that are incarcerated in our country's jails and penitentiaries. Matt addressed core issues of alcohol, drug abuse and other crimes in their lives becoming unmanageable from the lasting effects of sexual abuse from when they were children.

Building Hope Today operates to help children that are victims of sexual abuse and to teach the community about the grooming techniques that abusers use to create the opportunity to abuse a child. By bringing this behavior to light, Building Hope Today hopes to stop abuse from happening and to help survivors see more clearly the manipulation that led to their harm, bringing them toward a more peaceful and powerful self-acceptance.

Healing from sexual abuse is a lifelong process and Building Hope Today is an organization that is there to help victims every step of the way. For more information on Matt's story and the organization, please visit www.buildinghopetoday.org.

About Building Hope Today

Building Hope Today is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization founded in 2017. Building Hope Today works to raise awareness of the prevalence of childhood sexual abuse, reveal its lasting effects, and safeguard those at risk on the path toward a hope-filled tomorrow. If you or someone you know needs help, please visit www.buildinghopetoday.org or call 208-524-0400.