

News Release

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact: Dr. John Mayer, Clinical Consultant
NogginPower2.com
JMayer2@aol.com
312-917-1240
www.nogginpower2.com

Foreclosure's Innocent Victims

--Children of foreclosed upon parents must adjust to new communities--



Chicago, IL---August 4, 2008--- Thousands of children across the country face a crisis in this coming school year—the effects of foreclosure. Rightfully, most of the national attention has focused on the economy and the foreclosure rates across the United States with concern for the adult homeowners. Lost in the eye of this economic hurricane is the effect this crisis will have on the nation's school children as the new school year looms.

“This will be the largest number of children who will face the reality of making new friends and fitting into new communities since the great depression,” Says Clinical Psychologist and author, Dr. John Mayer.

“Not only will these children face the normal struggles of making friends, but many of them are acutely aware of the reasons for their displacement and they carry an extra burden of shame into the already difficult task of fitting in and making friendships,” Mayer adds.

2.5 Million homes are predicted to go into foreclosure in the United States in 2008 and this trend will likely continue for some time. Announced Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson in early July, 2008. Considering that many of these homes have children, that means the number of children with adjustment problems could swell the school ranks. Most of these children will be attending public schools in their new communities, this adjustment crisis may be a mini-time bomb festering in schools this fall.

“Parents need to be extra vigilant to help their children make new friends and adjust to the new community,” Cautions Mayer, the author of a new booklet for parents on making friends, titled: The Parent’s Mini-Manual: Making Friends-Helping Your Child with their Social Life. (NogginPower2 Publications, 2008).

“Children need solid, common sense techniques and guidance on making friends. Parents shouldn’t just assume this is a natural process that will occur without help,” Mayer adds.

NogginPower² is a Chicago-based education, prevention and intervention company, bridging the gap between caregivers and educators. **NogginPower²** is a woman-owned company based in Chicago, IL. Its mission is to bring the best researched education, prevention and intervention materials to parents, teachers and schools throughout the United States and the world.

For more information, please contact **NogginPower²** clinical consultant, Dr. John E. Mayer at 312-917-1240 or write to JMayer2@aol.com, or 55 East Washington Street, 38th Floor, Chicago, IL 60602. More information regarding **NogginPower²**, a woman-owned and operated service organization is found at: www.nogginpower2.com.

###