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## A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

As you may be aware, the Child Protective Services (CPS) division of the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services (TDFPS) was called to Eldorado, Texas to remove kids from the Yearn for Zion Ranch operated by the Fundamental Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter Day Saints. When the compound was taken by law enforcement, CPS took custody of over 400 children and set up temporary care arrangements in San Angelo, Texas.

Representatives of TDFPS have asked Cal Farley's to assist in providing temporary placement for 72 boys removed from Eldorado/San Angelo. In keeping with our Mission to provide services to children and families we agreed to accommodate these boys at Cal Farley's Boys Ranch.

Understanding the complexity of the situation, we consider our current role to be one of providing "temporary care and shelter" not "regular program." We have ample capacity at Boys Ranch to provide direct supervision of the boys in two of our children's homes. We are providing comfort and basic necessities such as food, medical care, security, and recreational outlets.

Obviously, we would not consider taking this on if we felt the integrity of the organization or the welfare of the other 300 children in care at Boys Ranch and Girlstown was compromised. We will not mix these boys with the regular population. Cal Farley's has also participated in other related activities. A team of Cal Farley's staff recently returned from San Angelo after helping with activities surrounding the processing of the children and families from the compound.

Though this event is highly publicized, we must respect the seriousness of the situation and the security and confidentiality of all children in our care.

As President of Cal Farley's, I am the single point of contact for information relative to the role of Cal Farley's, and I may be contacted at 806-372-2341.

Inquiries regarding specifics related to the CPS investigation should go to Patrick Crimmins, State Public Information Officer, at 512-787-5090.

Thank all of you for your support of our efforts.

Dan Adams, President and CEO, Cal Farley's Boys Ranch