



Billie Eilish's Testimony of Porn Exposure at Age 11 Aligns with Exodus Cry's Campaign to Require Age Verification on All Porn Sites

Exodus Cry's Campaign Pushes for Global Awareness of How Porn Exposure Is Derailing the Lives of Children, Calls for ID-Based Age Verification

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In a recent interview that went viral this week, world renowned artist Billie Eilish shocked the world after sharing that exposure to violent and abusive pornography at just 11 years old **"really destroyed my brain and I feel incredibly devastated that I was exposed to so much porn."** Her testimony aligns with Exodus Cry's current campaign, [Protect Children Not Porn](#), which is pushing for global awareness about how pornography exposure is derailing the lives of children everywhere. As part of this campaign, Exodus Cry launched a [petition](#), now with 60,000+ signatures, demanding ID-based age verification on all sites hosting porn, and also released a film, [Raised on Porn](#), which has amassed 775,000+ views on YouTube in just over two months.

The Grammy Award winner said she thinks "porn is a disgrace," and shared how it gave her sleep paralysis, nightmares, and led to her "not saying no to things that were not good," in the context of sex. Her comments are also particularly potent because millions of young teens see Eilish as a role model and, as a 19-year-old, she represents the first generation of young people who have entirely grown up with high-speed internet and unprecedented access to hardcore porn.

Exodus Cry posted a sound bite from her interview on Instagram Tuesday and the post quickly gained over 380,000 views.

Exodus Cry founder, Benjamin Nolot, shared, *"Unfortunately, consuming violent porn at 11 is not an anomaly within our culture, it's emblematic of our culture, since the average age of exposure is now somewhere between 7 and 13 years old, and most kids have unsupervised internet access by age 8. While there are virtually no safeguards on any porn sites, Billie's testimony underscores the undeniable need to protect children from the world of freely accessible porn that they are immersed in, and it's exactly why we launched the Protect Children Not Porn campaign."*

Millions of kids are being exposed to pornographic content that studies have shown is associated with increased suicidal ideation, impaired brain development, and increased risk for committing or being a victim of sexual assault. Exodus Cry has received hundreds of stories from those who were exposed to porn as children, echoing the destructive lifelong impact porn has had on their lives.

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The UK, Canada, France, and Australia have already begun introducing legislation to protect children from explicit content online. Exodus Cry's Protect Children Not Porn campaign, primarily aimed at shifting laws and business practices in the US, is already supported by over 100 anti-trafficking, women's rights, and child protection organizations, as well as a coalition representing over 2000 organizations.

Exodus Cry's Founder, Benjamin Nolot, is available for comments or interviews.

Learn more at www.exoduscry.com/PCNP

Watch Raised on Porn on YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/watchv=hzPylqS01qU&t=304s>

Petition: <https://www.rightthis.org/p/protect-children-not-porn-require-age-verification-end-child-exposure-to-adult-content>