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Tony Award Winner Rene Auberjonois to Guest Star in K-10-C Second Episode in *Kids' Ten Commandments* Mini-Movie® Series to Release in April

Wheaton, IL—With the highly anticipated first episode in the *Kids' Ten Commandments* mini-movie® series poised to debut in less than a month, Tyndale Entertainment and TLC Entertainment in association with SMEC Media and RichCrest Animation are putting the finishing touches on the second episode, scheduled to release on video and DVD in April 2003. Featuring state-of-the-art 2-D and 3-D animation with two all-new songs, *The Rest is Yet to Come* guest stars Emmy nominated and Tony award winner, Rene Auberjonois.

Auberjonois, known for his role as Clayton Endicott III on *Benson*, as well as his Tony award winning role in *CoCo*, voices the grumpy old coot, Jeshanah. When Seth's (*Chris Marquette*) mom Leila (*Jodi Benson*) is called away, snarly old Jeshanah is asked to take care of Seth. Not the wisest choice, since Jeshanah swears (conveniently an animal sound covers the actual words), and proudly sings of his warped sense of values in *Got to Do What You Can*. Plus, Jeshanah makes Seth and all the animals work themselves to the bone on the Sabbath. Thankfully, Moses (*Peter Strauss*) and Seth's mom, Leila, arrive in time to set Jeshanah straight.

Based on the third and fourth commandments, "Do not misuse the name of the Lord your God," and "Remember to observe the Sabbath day by keeping it holy," *The Rest is Yet to Come* also stars:

- Emmy-Award winner **Peter Strauss** (*Masada, The Jericho Mile*) as Moses
- Emmy-Award winner **Paul Winfield** (*Sounder, Picket Fences*) as Shadi, the wise camel
- **Jodi Benson** (*The Little Mermaid, Toy Story II*) as Martha, the lamb, and Seth's mom, Leila
- **Jesse Corti** (Broadway's *Les Miserables, Beauty and the Beast*) as Jacob, the golden calf

The Rest is Yet to Come will also be available in DVD with exclusive DVD-only features including a behind-the-scenes look at the show's award-winning cast and crew. Kids will also be able to play songs from the show, view ten "favorite scenes," skip forward directly to "God" reading the commandments featured in each show, as well as see a full list of all Ten Commandments.

The *Kids' Ten Commandments* mini-movie® series is the first initiative in the *Kids' Ten Commandments Project*, a new movement to bring God's commandments to the children of the world. The *Kids' Ten Commandments Project* aims to reach children through videos, board games, books, and curriculum that make learning and living the commandments in real life fun and easy.

Tyndale Entertainment is putting major marketing muscle behind this series, with a \$250,000 budget. A special endcap kit and full-size movie poster are available to retailers at no additional charge.

SMEC Media, a leading animation producer and multimedia organization in Asia, was founded in April 1997. Offering both software content and digital animation services, SMEC produces CD-ROM material suited for children from ages 3-12. SMEC also invests in and funds high quality productions through its venture capital division. SMEC's Chairman and CEO, Injay W. Tai, formerly a Wall Street investment banker for 14 years, now heads SMEC's venture capital group as well. Some of SMEC's

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top partners and clients include TLC Entertainment, TV Loonland, BRB International, CineGroupe, Rich/Crest Animation, France Animation, and Felix the Cat Productions. SMEC has offices in Taipei, Shanghai, Beijing and Los Angeles and is committed to offering high levels of interaction, education and entertainment content for markets around the world.

RichCrest Animation Studios was formed in 2000 when Crest Communications Ltd. acquired Rich Entertainment. Named as a division of Nest Entertainment in 1992, the company was originally formed in 1986 by Richard Rich, Terry Noss and James Koford, who produced several direct-to-video animation shorts. The company was later involved in the production of the animated feature film "The Swan Princess," released theatrically in 1994 by New Line Cinema. To date, the company has produced six full-length animated feature films and over 60 half-hour animation projects for various studios, including its own "Animated Hero Classics" series, which enjoyed a two-year run on HBO in the U.S. RichCrest Animation Studios is now working in collaboration with TLC Entertainment on the special five-part video series, **Kids' Ten Commandments**, in association with SMEC Media and Entertainment Corporation.

About TLC Entertainment

Founded in 1988 by George Taweel and Rob Loos, TLC Entertainment specializes in writing, producing and directing all forms of family entertainment. Over the past 15 years, TLC Entertainment has targeted growing family audience, producing live action, animation, and single camera film projects for television and home video, including a diverse slate of series and specials such as Captain Kangaroo, McGee and Me!, and The Christmas Lamb. Most recently, Maureen Smith, former President of ABC Family Channel and Fox Kids Network joined TLC as Partner, who will look to increase the company's library of intellectual properties, oversee marketing and brand management for each, and to fully exploit its media assets across all applicable platforms including television, home video, video on demand, publishing and feature films. TLC's direct-to-video mini-movies* have yielded over 70 Gold and Platinum selling video titles, and 68 awards for creative excellence (including a Gold World Medal at this year's New York Festivals). TLC programs air in over 80 countries worldwide and have spawned nearly 100 licensed products. TLC Entertainment is headquartered at CBS Studio Center in Studio City, California.

Tyndale Entertainment, which brought *The Last Chance Detectives*, *McGee & Me!*, and *The New Adventures in Odyssey* to market, is a division of Tyndale House Publishers based in Carol Stream, Illinois.

Coming April 2003...

The Rest is Yet to Come

Run Time: Approximately 30 minutes

Age Level: 6-11

Video: 0-8423-7596-1, \$14.99

DVD: 0-8423-7606-2, \$17.99

Endcap Kit: 0-8423-8324-7, N/C

Movie Poster: 0-8423-8325-5, N/C

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