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## NEWS RELEASE

**12 Productions, LLC**

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### **Twelve Mighty Orphans Moving From Book to Movie**

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A new film production company, 12 Productions, LLC, announces the acquisition of the movie option rights to the very successful book *Twelve Mighty Orphans* by bestselling author Jim Dent (now in its 20th printing). The company is working on producing a movie based on this true, heartwarming, Depression-era story. Members of 12 Productions have spent a year further developing the story for the film version. A number of major production companies and film industry professionals have expressed interest in the project. 12 Productions will market the project as *12 Mighty Orphans* ([www.12mightyorphans.com](http://www.12mightyorphans.com)).

The true inspiring story revolves around a group of scrawny orphans from the Masonic Home, a Fort Worth, Texas orphanage, and a bespectacled math teacher, who taught them to succeed in life by creating a winning football team that went up against the toughest teams in Texas. The underdog team, dubbed by fans *The Mighty Mites*, captured the hearts of a city, a state and a nation with their can-do spirit.

"The story touches a universal chord of enduring, overcoming, loving and working hard to succeed in life – it isn't just a sports story," said Mike Barr, president of the new partnership 12 Productions, LLC, adding that it is a story from the past with lessons for our times today. Barr said his partnership plans to enter into a co-production agreement with a major production company by the end of April 2009 and have the film made by one of the major studios.

The principals of 12 Productions, LLC, include: Mike Barr, Russ Morton, Matt Barr and Ryan Ross.

Additional information on the *Twelve Mighty Orphans* story, the book, the production company, the principals and more can be found at [12mightyorphans.com](http://12mightyorphans.com)