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"Max's voice rings authentic and true ... an important book that every teen, young adult and parent should read." -- Windsor Life

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"seems like heavy material, however, the author handles the topic sensitively ... Read this book and then give it to your child!" -- S. McKenzie, Grade 3 Teacher, Ontario --S. McKenzie

#### **About the Author**

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