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**TOO TALL ALICE TALKS TO KIDS ABOUT SELF-ESTEEM
AND TELLS THEM TO STAND TALL AND BELIEVE IN THEMSELVES
IN FORTHCOMING CHILDREN'S BOOK**

(GLEN ROCK, NJ, January 28, 2009) “Hi, I’m Alice. I’m eight years old, and I have something to say. It’s not easy to be tall. I know. I’m four inches taller than any of the other girls in my class. And then, I have a friend who’s kind of short, and she’s not too happy about that either. So, I guess it’s just not easy being different. But I think it’s okay to be different ... to be you! What’s *different*, anyway? Boy, I wish I knew.

“I was lucky to have somebody write a book about me. It’s called—you guessed it!—**TOO TALL ALICE!** The story is all about me and how I learned that it’s okay to be tall—to be myself, whoever that might be. Maybe you’re not too tall, but maybe you think you’re too short or too fat or too skinny. Maybe you think your ears or your nose are too big. But I’m here to tell you that it’s all going to be okay because I learned to see me, the real me. And now I know I can be anything I want to be, because I’m okay.”

Here’s what 4th grade teacher Linda Balaban has to say about the book: “*Too Tall Alice* is delightfully entertaining with a message that young children will understand and appreciate. It is a refreshing portrayal of one’s uniqueness that allows children to be proud of their own distinctive characteristics. An appreciation for one’s self can result in an acceptance of the individuality of others, which is the heart of the story.”

Author Barbara Worton has been telling and publishing stories since she was a little girl. Her first book was *Bedtime Stories: The short, long and tall tales of a sleepwriter*, published by Great Little Books in October 2007. Her story “London Calling” is featured in *Memoirs of John Lennon*. Barbara lives in New Jersey with her husband Geoff.

Illustrator Dom Rodi studied graphic design in the U.K. He’s worked in publishing as an art director, and managed a leading London illustrators agency. He lives in Florida with his wife, Jan, and their talking cat, Taffy.

A **national print media campaign** is underway for **TOO TALL ALICE (ages 7-11)**. Gay Morris Empson, Fashion Editor, *Child Magazine* and *Working Mother Magazine* kicks off with her enthusiastic response to the book: “I was smitten with *Too Tall Alice*. It’s whimsical, gleeful and fancifully illustrated, yet it’s incredibly real. It is an inspiration for all young minds.”

The author and illustrator will promote **TOO TALL ALICE** through **bookstore signings and readings at libraries, and Worton, with the help and support of educators, has created “Stand Tall with Too Tall Alice” activities that focus on self-esteem and can be used at book events, after school programs and in the classroom.** All efforts are being made to bring awareness of this title to the public and the publishing community at large, both online and through traditional methods of promotion.

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