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Press Release

YouthHubAfrica Celebrates the Passage of the 'Child Protection Bill' In Sokoto State.

YouthHubAfrica and members of the civil society coalition congratulate the Sokoto state government on the passage of the 'Child Protection Bill' into law in the state. This is a remarkable step in the right direction as the bill recently passed the 3rd reading, awaiting assent by the Executive Governor of Sokoto state- Rt. Hon Aminu Waziri Tambuwal.

Following continuous and relentless advocacy efforts by YouthHubAfrica, Civil Society Organisations and concerned citizens, the passage of the 'Child Rights Bill' whose nomenclature was changed to the 'Child Protection Bill' by the state house of Assembly is a requisite and laudable step towards the domestication of the Child Rights Act, adopted by the Federal Republic of Nigeria in 2003.

The domestication of the Child protection bill in Sokoto state will safeguard the rights and privileges of every Nigerian child, ensure parents and guardians fulfill their obligation to protect the child, prioritise access to education especially for the girl-child amongst several other demands.

YouthHubAfrica is delighted to have worked with partners, Civil Society Organisations, Non-state actors, Stakeholders, and concerned citizens in the last 4 years to advocate for the passage of the Child Rights Act into law in Sokoto state. We further urge His Excellency, the Executive Governor of Sokoto state - Rt. Hon Aminu Waziri Tambuwal to sign this bill into law, speedily to safeguard the future of every child in sokoto state.

The 'Child Protection Bill' once domesticated will place Sokoto state as the 27th state to have taken a worthy step, thereby setting the pace for other states yet to pass the Child Rights Bill into law to follow suit.

While we await this necessary action by the Executive governor of Sokoto state, We extend a hearty Congratulations to the good people of Sokoto state.

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