CHILDREN'S RIGHTS: A NONKILLING PLEA TO ADULTS

Rhymed Reflections

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On behalf of the world's children, these rhymed reflections are presented

As children, we are happy to know that we have the right to play so please, adults, also take seriously what we now want to say As children, we are told that we have the right to a family life of dignity so please, adults, show that of LOVE in your family there's no scarcity As children, we are told that we have the right to be guided so, please, adults be kind when you want us to be chided As children, we are told we will be educated to be productive so, please, adults, help our education also to be constructive As children, we are told we have the right our creativity to enhance so, please, adults, help our global citizenship responsibility advance As children, we are told we have the right to be taught what is known so, please, adults, help us be strong and never to fear the unknown As children, we are told we have the right to a life of spirituality so, please, adults provide us with that soul-supporting possibility As children, we know that to a world of violence and killing we are exposed so, please, adults, fulfil your human right obligation: A NONKILLING WORLD SHOULD BE GLOBALLY PROPOSED.