



### **:30 Underage Drinking Radio Script: “I Thought”**

Mom: When my son Brian asked if he could throw a graduation party I thought why not? He has good grades. He deserves some fun.

And when he asked me if it would be all right to have a little alcohol at the party, I thought, well, I’ll be there to make sure it doesn’t get out of hand.

But when the police arrived to tell me that a carload of kids from the party had been in a crash, I realized... I hadn’t really thought at all.

Announcer: Each year 5,000 people under 21 die from alcohol related crashes, homicides, and accidents.

Mom: I should have thought about what happens after the party...

Announcer: Alcohol kills more teens than all other drugs combined.

Mom: I wish I had known that underage drinking can lead to bad choices.

Announcer: You and your teen can face jail time and legal liabilities for property damage, injuries, and deaths from underage drinking.

Mom: I didn’t think it could happen to us...

Announcer: For tips on helping teens celebrate safely, visit [www.starttalkingnow.org](http://www.starttalkingnow.org).

A message from the Washington Healthy Youth Coalition.