It’s bright sunny Spring morning. The sounds of Spring are all around (picture of birds on tree chirping). “ CHIRP....CHIRP…..CHRIP!

SNIFF….. SNIFF…. !! “K-Ci, K-Ci wake up” said Sealy.. “I’m up Seals”. WHOA!!! “I smell……PANCAAAAKES” yelled K-Ci & Sealy (picture of wavy smell and pancakes in all CAPS….K-Ci & Sealy with big puppy eyes).

LET’S GO!!

Into the hallway…FREEZE

Behind the couch…FREEZE

Beside the lamp…FREEZE

K-Ci and Sealy carefully make their way into the kitchen without being seen . “There’s the target” pointing to the pile of pancakes on the table. “AND they have chocolate chips tooooo?” cried Sealy. “We have to be very quiet” warned K-Ci.

K-Ci and Sealy make their way under the table. “We can try to take one when mommy is not looking.” K-ci snatches two pancakes with chocolate chips. Here’s one for you Sealy and one for me…

MUNCH...MUNCH…CHOMP...CHOMP…SO YUMMY!

K-Ci’s mommy doesn’t notice the 2 pancakes missing because she is on the phone talking to K-Ci’s auntie.

“I’m not sure, the doctor said it was autism and K-Ci has to start speech therapy and occupational therapy’’. Mom said sadly.

“Did you hear what your mommy said K-Ci?”asked Sealy. I did said K-Ci. The doctor said you have pawpism cries Sealy” OH NO!! OH NO!! OH NO!! Do you know what this means K-Ci?” No, what is pawpism? What does it mean?” asked K-ci.

“It means that if we don’t find a cure by the time the clock strikes 8 o’clock tomorrow night you are going to grow…. PAWS and turn into a puppy!!!!!!” exclaimed Sealy.

OH NO! I don’t want to be a puppy. I want to be a little boy.” Cried K-Ci

“Don’t worry K-ci we’ll find a way” reassured Sealy

“That does not sound right Sealy” that doesn’t make any sense. said Mumbo

“I don’t think I asked you.” Scoffed Sealy

You know that little corgi that lives down the street? He used to be a boy… that’s right….PAWPISM .

I won’t let that happen to you K-Ci

Mommy gets off the phone and notices a couple of pancakes missing. “Hmm…I wonder where some of the pancaked have gone… Maybe a mouse with 2 legs ate them…perhaps the mouse is under the table.

Mom peaks under the table “Got you said K-ci”. No, I got you my love” says mommy as she tickles K-ci….

HA! HA! HA! …All done, all done cries K-ci, okay, all done says mommy. and mommy stops tickling K-ci

“Okay let’s go brush your teeth and wash your face and lets have a real breakfast together” said mommy

Even though k-ci enjoyed one of his favorite breakfasts he kept on thinking about turning into a puppy.

Aha!! I have an idea. Come on Sealy and Mumbo. What are we going to do? Asked Mumbo

1st wrap my hands & feet in paper towels

Then, cover my hands and feet in dirt.

This will stop them from turning into paws

They head to the backyard & Mumbo and Sealy wrapped K-Ci’s hands & feet around and around and around with paper towel.

Great! now cover my hands and feet with some dirt.

Yay! We did it no puppies here! exclaimed Sealy.

Mommy went into the backyard. K-Ci, what are doing? What is going on here? Mommy was not happy, but K-Ci was not able to tell mommy why he was covered in paper towels and dirt.

He just looked at her with a sad face.

He wanted to tell her he didn’t want pawpism, but didn’t know how.

“Let’s get you cleaned up” sighed mommy.

\*\*DREAM of turning into a Corgi??\*\*

The next morning, K-ci woke up bright and early. “We have a lot of work to do guys.”

K-Ci tried everything to stop Pawpism like……. standing on his head………….

Soaking his hands and feet in a bowl of worms…………

taking a mud bath……

AND eating……. BRUSSEL SPROUTS

It was almost 8’oclock and K-Ci was not sure if all that hard work stopped the pawpism. He was feeling sad.

What’s wrong K-Ci? Asked mommy. He moved quickly away from her and starts to flap his arms; he then hides under the covers. He was afraid he might give his mommy pawpism too.

Sealy and Mumbo come out and give K-Ci a hug. It’s okay K-ci, I’ll walk you if I have to” says Sealy.

WHAT!! You can talk?!!

Mommy is shocked. “Stuffed toys can’t talk.”

“Yes, we talk and we talk to K-ci he is our friend.” says Mumbo

Mommy picks up Sealy and asks “do you know why K-ci is sad and scared?”

“He is scared because the doctor said he has pawpism. He doesn’t want you to get it too.” Sealy said.

“Pawpism?” asked mommy. “You were on the phone and said he had pawpism. Now he may grow paws & turn into a puppy”. Explained Sealy.

“OHHHH!! Pawpism. Thank you, Sealy for telling me.”

Mommy lifts the covers off of K-ci and says to him, “can I have a hug? It’s okay you won’t give me pawpism.” holding up her hands. Sealy gives K-ci a reassured look that it is okay. Mommy hugs K-ci and cradles him in her arms.

“K-ci you don’t have pawpism. It’s called autism. You see things and feel things a bit differently than others. Sometimes it’s hard for us to understand each other…but it’s nothing we cannot get through together. It’s a reason you flap your arms, and that’s okay. You are awesome, fantastic, brilliant, creative and amazingly blessed. You are the most fun person I know.

Do you understand what I’m telling you? I hope you do??

No paws” holding up her hand “you’re still an ordinary & extraordinary little boy.”

K-ci smiles at his mommy and says “no paws.”

Mommy, K-ci, Sealy and Mumbo all share 1 giant hug. They all say NO PAWS!!