Resolution

Michigan Adoption Day 2013
Tuesday November 26

We, the Justices of the Michigan Supreme Court, wish to mark the occasion of the 11th annual Michigan Adoption Day, among the largest such events in the United States; in so doing, we note that:

November 2013 has been designated National Adoption Month and November 23, 2013, has been designated National Adoption Day;

At any given time in Michigan, there are over 13,000 children and youth in foster care, of whom over 3,000 have a goal of adoption;

The goal of Michigan Adoption Day is to draw attention to the needs of these children and youth, particularly their need for permanent families, and also to encourage efforts to help those who are not adopted;

In support of that goal, courts throughout Michigan will participate in Michigan Adoption Day on or about November 26 by finalizing adoptions, holding celebrations for adoptive families, and educating the public about the adoption process; therefore,

We, the Justices of the Michigan Supreme Court, declare November 26, 2013, to be Michigan Adoption Day 2013, with our heartfelt congratulations and best wishes to the families, courts, adoption workers, and others participating in Michigan Adoption Day.

In recognition whereof, we have affixed the seal of the Michigan Supreme Court on this day of October 16, Anno Domini MMXIII, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the two hundred and thirty-seventh year.

Robert P. Young, Jr., Chief Justice

Michael F. Cavanagh, Justice

Stephen J. Markman, Justice

Mary Beth Kelly, Justice

Brian K. Zahra, Justice

Bridget M. McCormack, Justice

David F. Viviano, Justice