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MEMORANDUM

DATE: May 12, 2016

TO: All Judges
cc: Court Administrators
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FROM: Milton L. Mack, Jr.

SUBJECT: Reunification Day Event at the Hall of Justice

On June 24, 2016, a Reunification Day celebration will be held at the Hall of Justice in Lansing. SCAO's Child Welfare Services Division and the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services are planning to celebrate successful efforts at family reunification as part of Michigan's contribution to National Reunification Month. Families who have reunified will be in attendance, and the program will feature remarks by judges and child welfare advocates on the topic of family preservation and reunification. The vital role that community partners play in helping to strengthen, support, and reunify families will be the focal point.

We are pleased to join the American Bar Association and the National Council for Juvenile and Family Court Judges by participating in National Reunification Month activities. Over the years, several Michigan counties have had events, but this will be the first statewide recognition of Reunification Day. We are hoping to create a model event for courts statewide to hold similar events in coming years. If you have questions, please contact Elizabeth Henderson, SCAO Child Welfare Services, at 517-373-2621 or HendersonE@courts.mi.gov.