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WELD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PROCLAIM NOVEMBER 18 WELD COUNTY ADOPTION DAY

WELD COUNTY, CO – In conjunction with National Adoption Day on November 19, the Weld County Board of Commissioners has proclaimed November 18, 2016, to be Weld County Adoption Day. On that day, a special celebration will take place wherein 12 children from Weld County will be adopted—a number that rivals the amount of children adopted yearly from the county. This proclamation and celebration are enacted in the hopes of encouraging other dedicated individuals to make a powerful difference in the life of a child through adoption.

“The ability to provide a loving home and stable environment for a child to thrive is so valuable,” said Commissioner Steve Moreno, Coordinator for the Department of Human Services. “We are so fortunate these families have come together and committed themselves to these 12 children.”

Currently, more than 100,000 children in the United States are currently waiting to be adopted, of which 280 reside in Colorado. Weld County itself has 30 children that are in need of forever families and legal permanency.

“We cannot overstate the importance of this proclamation or this celebration,” said Commissioner Chair Mike Freeman. “Every child deserves a stable life, with a loving and supportive family. We are thrilled that 12 children will have their adoptions finalized during our November 19 celebration, but there are so many more that need permanent and nurturing families, and we hope to bring attention to that.”

Similar celebrations will take place in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Guam, and Puerto Rico, and are part of a national effort to raise awareness about the importance of adoption.

To find out more about adoptions in Weld County, go to: http://www.co.weld.co.us/Departments/HumanServices/ChildrenYouthandFamilyServices/FosterCareAdoption/Adoption.html

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