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### **Camden Vicinage Celebrates National Adoption Day**

The Camden Vicinage will celebrate National Adoption Day on Friday, Nov. 22 at the Camden Vicinage Superior Court, 101 S. 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Camden. Adoptions will begin at 1p.m.

“National Adoption Day recognizes the commitment and love of those who adopt and encourages others to consider adoption,” said Assignment Judge Faustino J. Fernandez-Vina.

The event is being held during National Adoption Month. It is an opportunity for the courts and community to celebrate with families who have opened their homes to children in need of a permanent home.

Adoption Day is coordinated through the Family Division in conjunction with the Camden County Surrogate’s Office and the local office of New Jersey Division of Child Protection and Permanency (DCP & P) and Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA).

Following the adoptions, there will be a reception for the families on the lower level of the Hall of Justice. The court and its partners will provide refreshments and mementos to the families to commemorate the day.

Adoption hearings are closed to the public. Members of the press are invited to the reception following the adoptions.

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**Although adoptions are closed hearings, arrangements can be made for reporters to interview families after the adoption proceedings. Contact Lydia Hernandez at 856-379-2200 ext. 3612.**