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### **Morris/Sussex Vicinage Celebrates National Adoption Day**

The Morris/Sussex Vicinage will celebrate National Adoption Day with a ceremony on Friday, Nov. 18 at noon at the Morris County Records and Administration Building, 10 Court St., Morristown.

Family Division Judge Michael E. Hubner will deliver welcoming remarks and will preside over the adoption. A reception for adoptive families and guests will follow.

The vicinage previously held a similar celebration at the Sussex County Courthouse on Nov. 9.

Both events were co-hosted by the vicinage, the Division of Child Protection and Permanency, the surrogate's offices in Morris and Sussex counties and the Court Appointed Special Advocates of Morris and Sussex counties.

National Adoption Day is an annual event in which the courts and communities in all 50 states come together to finalize thousands of adoptions and to celebrate the families who adopt. The event seeks to raise awareness of the importance of adoption and to recognize caregivers who have chosen to open their homes.

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Although adoptions are closed to the public, arrangements will be made for reporters to interview willing families after the adoption proceedings have concluded. For more information, contact Jennifer V. Shultis at 973-656-3969.