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Passaic Vicinage Celebrates National Adoption Day

Passaic Vicinage will celebrate National Adoption Day on Friday, Nov. 17.

Family Division Presiding Judge Rudolph A. Filko and Judges Vicki A. Citrino and Imre Karaszegi will preside over the adoptions. A reception will follow the proceedings at approximately 11 a.m. at Planet 301 Arcade, 301 Main St., Paterson. Assignment Judge Ernest M. Caposela and Judge Filko will give opening remarks. Flowers and certificates will be provided to adoptive parents, compliments of the Passaic County Surrogate's Office.

The reception will include games, arts and crafts and face painting. Staff from the vicinage's family division, the New Jersey Division of Child Protection and Permanency (DCP&P), and the Surrogate's Office will assist with the festivities. Each child will also receive a gift provided by DCP&P, the Surrogate's Office and the Court Appointed Special Advocates of Passaic County (CASA). Representatives from the Passaic County Clerk's Office and the Passaic County Bar Association also will assist.

National Adoption Day is an annual event in which courts and communities in all 50 states come together to finalize thousands of adoptions and to celebrate families who choose to adopt. The vicinage established its adoption celebration in 2007.

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Adoption proceedings are not open to the public. Reporters and photographers are invited to attend the celebration event at Planet 301 Arcade, where families who have agreed to be interviewed or photographed will be available after the adoption proceedings. Call Kim Casamassina at 973-247-8469 for more information.