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Passaic Vicinage to Celebrate National Adoption Day

Passaic Vicinage will celebrate National Adoption Day on Friday, Nov. 22.

Family Division Presiding Judge Rudolph A. Filko and Judges Imre Karaszegi, Jr. and LaToya K. Jenkins will finalize 13 adoptions. A brief reception will be held before the adoptions in the Passaic County Administration Building, 401 Grand St., Paterson. Assignment Judge Ernest M. Caposela and Judge Filko will give opening remarks along with Passaic County Surrogate Bernice Toledo.

A reception for families in the county who have adopted children during 2019 will take place from 9 a.m. to noon at Chuck E. Cheese on Route 23 in Wayne on Saturday, Nov. 23. Staff from the New Jersey Division of Child Protection and Permanency (DCP&P) will assist with the festivities. Each child in attendance will receive a gift provided by DCP&P, the Surrogate's Office, the Passaic County Clerk's Office, the Passaic County Bar Association, Court Appointed Special Advocates of Passaic County, and local attorneys.

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 Chuck E. Cheese, where families who have agreed to be interviewed or photographed will be available after the adoption proceedings. Call Kim Casamassina at 973-653-2910, ext. 24587 for more information.