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## **Camden Vicinage to Celebrate National Adoption Day**

Assignment Judge Deborah Silverman Katz announced today that the Camden Vicinage will celebrate National Adoption Day on Friday, Nov. 22 at the Hall of Justice, 101 S. 5<sup>th</sup> St., Camden. Adoption proceedings for five children and their forever families will begin at 1 p.m. and will be presided over by Superior Court Judges Francine I. Axelrad and Linda W. Eynon.

The celebration will be hosted by the vicinage's family division in partnership with the Camden County Surrogate's Office, the New Jersey Division of Child Protection and Permanency, and the Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) of Camden County. To commemorate the day, the children will receive stuffed bears from the family division and gift bags filled with keepsakes, courtesy of CASA of Camden County.

National Adoption Day is an annual event dedicated to celebrating adoptive families and children across the country. This celebration is part of a national effort to raise awareness of the more than 100,000 children in foster care in the United States waiting to find permanent, loving families, and to encourage others to adopt.

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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 the Trial Court Administrator's Office at 856-379-2231.