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Monmouth Vicinage to Celebrate Adoption Day

The Monmouth Vicinage will host a virtual celebration of National Adoption Day on Friday, Nov. 20 at 11:30 a.m. in collaboration with the New Jersey Division of Child Protection and Permanency (DCP&P), the Monmouth County Surrogate's Office, the Monmouth Bar Association, and Court Appointed Special Advocates.

Superior Court Judge Honora O'Brien Kilgallen will give remarks and a guest speaker will discuss her personal adoption story. A slideshow of photos from the adoptive families will be presented. Following the virtual event, approximately 15 adoptions for 11 families will be finalized. Superior Court Judges Teresa Kondrup-Coyle, Kilgallen, and Stacey D. Adams will preside over the proceedings.

Adoption workers from DCP&P will visit the homes of adoptive families in the morning to deliver refreshments and flowers.

Although adoptions are closed to the public, reporters can attend the virtual celebration and arrange to interview selected families after their adoptions conclude. Call Janet Slocum at 732-358-8700, ext. 87025 for details.