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PRESS ADVISORY

27th Annual DC Adoption Day Devoted to Theme of Healthy Children & Strong Families

DC Superior Court and the DC Child and Family Services Agency will co-host their 27th Annual Adoption ceremony on Saturday, November 23, 2013. The ceremony is designed to celebrate the joy of adoption and encourage area residents to consider adopting or fostering a child in the District's public child welfare system. **CFSA is currently seeking permanent, loving, adoptive homes for 123 children in foster care in DC.**

Over 20 adoptions will be finalized at this year's ceremony. Each child and his or her family will be introduced to the audience to come forward as their judge signs the adoption decree.

WHAT: Adoption Day Celebration
WHERE: Moultrie Courthouse - 500 Indiana Avenue, N.W. - 3rd Floor Atrium
WHEN: Saturday, November 23, 2013 - 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon
**WHO: Superior Court Chief Judge Lee F. Satterfield
Family Court Presiding Judge Zoe Bush
Mayor Vince Gray
CFSA Director Brenda Donald**

All children adopted in D.C. during the past year - and their families - have been invited to the ceremony and celebration.

Those interested in finding out more about becoming an adoptive or foster parent are urged to call **202/671-LOVE**, the CFSA hotline for prospective foster and adoptive parents. CFSA volunteers will also be present at the event to talk about fostering and adopting in D.C.

The public is most cordially invited to attend.

Media Note: Cameras and audio recorders WILL be allowed into the courthouse for the purpose of capturing the ceremony. Judges and adoptive family members will be available for interview.

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