

PROCLAIMING NOVEMBER 20, 2021, AS

National Adoption Day

LEWIS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS, Lewis County recognizes the importance of giving children permanent, safe and loving families through adoption; and

WHEREAS, an estimated 123,000 children are in foster care in the United States – including more than 9,200 in Washington and more than 760 in Lewis County; and

WHEREAS, more than 20,000 children “age out” of Washington State’s foster care system without ever finding a permanent home and family; and

WHEREAS, outreach to adoptive families has been identified as a critical step in moving children more quickly from temporary, caring foster homes to permanent homes; and

WHEREAS, a coalition of child welfare organizations and businesses working to improve the lives of foster children founded National Adoption Day in 2000 in an effort to celebrate adoptive families and also highlight the thousands of foster children across the U.S. waiting for new families; and

WHEREAS, spreading the word about National Adoption Day – which falls on Saturday, November 20, 2021, this year – helps raise awareness about the many children waiting to find homes, giving them a chance to join new families.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lewis County Board of County Commissioners hereby proclaims November 20, 2021, as National Adoption Day and urges all citizens to celebrate adoptive families and to talk about the importance of adoption.

Done in open session this 9th day of November 2021.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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Vacant, Commissioner

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Rieva Lester, Clerk of the Board

