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BE THE LIGHT OF A CHILD'S LIFE November is National Adoption Month

On Saturday November 12, 2009 an Adoption Day Celebration will be held at the Clay Center, Charleston WV. Starting at 3 PM, event participants will have free access to the Discovery Museum, followed by refreshments and a luminary project for children at the Intermezzo café from 4:45 to 5:30 and ending the evening outside for a candlelight ceremony.

“It is absolutely important to stand up for children, and open your hearts, homes, and lives to them” said Michele Bush, WV CASA Director, “ the ultimate gift for a child is providing a family they can call their own. I personally was adopted and it has been the greatest and most irreplaceable gift in my life because there is nothing better in life than the love and support of a family. I hope you can make it to this important event as we celebrate the families who have opened their lives to foster children by providing a loving forever family.”

November is National Adoption Month, a month set aside for a collective national effort to raise awareness of the more than 120,000 children in foster care who are waiting for a safe and loving family to adopt them. There are approximately 4,000 children in the West Virginia foster care system, please join us as we work to find families for approximately 1,000 of them who are legally eligible to be adopted.

This event is organized by the WV Recruitment and Retention collaborative, which includes Mission WV, the WVDHHR, the Children's Home Society, the National Youth Advocacy Program, Burlington UM Family Services, the Supreme Court of Appeals of WV, and CASA. The event is sponsored by the WV Dept. of Health and Human Resources and the WV Recruitment and Retention Collaborative.

Many children are still awaiting adoption. If you would like to find out more information on how you can adopt or how to assist Mission West Virginia's Heart Gallery or the Frameworks Program, please contact Mission West Virginia at 1-866-CALL-MWV or visit their website at www.missionwv.org

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