

RESOLUTION NO. _____ - 21

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING NOVEMBER 20, 2021 AS
NATIONAL ADOPTION DAY

WHEREAS, National Adoption Day is a collective effort to raise awareness of the more than 120,000 children waiting to be adopted from foster care in the United States; and

WHEREAS, children are key to Colorado's future success, prosperity and quality of life and all children and youth deserve a safe, loving family yet there are 436 children and youth in Colorado who are waiting to be adopted; and

WHEREAS, the El Paso County Department of Human Services completes over 100 adoptions annually; and

WHEREAS, affirming, supportive parents can help a child or youth overcome past traumatic experiences and reach their full potential and we must come together as a community to celebrate Colorado's adoptive families and raise awareness about the need for adoptive families in Colorado; and

WHEREAS, there are no restrictions on who can adopt based on race, ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, or marital status and there is always a need for parents who are willing to adopt older kids and siblings.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS:

Section 1. The City Council honors November 20, 2021 as National Adoption Day.

Dated at Colorado Springs, Colorado this 9th day of November, 2021.

Council President

ATTEST:

Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk