

COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

8<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT

COURT FILE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF

**FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS  
OF LAW, ORDER FOR JUDGMENT  
and ADOPTION DECREE**

to adopt \_\_\_\_\_  
(name desired by adoptive parents)

The above entitled adoption action, being one for adoption, came on for hearing before the undersigned Judge of District Court on \_\_\_\_\_ in closed Court. The following persons were present at the hearing: \_\_\_\_\_

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

The court, having read the file and being fully advised in the premises, finds as follows:

1. Petitioners' full and true names are \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
2. Petitioners' respective dates of birth are \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
3. The petitioners are husband and wife, and were married to each other on \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_
4. Petitioners currently reside at \_\_\_\_\_ in the State of Minnesota.
5. Petitioners have resided in Minnesota since \_\_\_\_\_  
 for at least one year, as required by Minnesota Statutes §259.22, subd 1.  
 not for at least one year, but the Court finds that it is in the best interests of the child to waive the one-year residency requirement and reduce such requirement to thirty (30) days as permitted under Minnesota Statutes §259.22, subd. 1.
6. Petitioners \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ desire to adopt the child named \_\_\_\_\_.
7. \_\_\_\_\_ was born on \_\_\_\_\_ in the city of \_\_\_\_\_, county of \_\_\_\_\_, State of \_\_\_\_\_ and country of \_\_\_\_\_.
8. \_\_\_\_\_ owns no real estate, savings or bank accounts, bonds, securities or personal property other than clothing and personal effects of inconsequential market value, except as shown on attached schedule.
9. The child  is or  is not an Indian child, and the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA)  does or  does not apply.
10. Petitioners acquired physical custody of the child \_\_\_\_\_ from \_\_\_\_\_, an agency to place child for adoption, on \_\_\_\_\_.
11.  Three months have passed since the date Petitioners acquired physical custody of the child.  
OR  
 The residency requirement has been waived pursuant to Rule 35.02.

12. A communication or contact agreement, if applicable,  is  is not on file with the Court and, if one is on file, the Court finds that such agreement is in the child's best interests.
13. That the home and child are suited to each other and that Petitioners are fit and proper persons to have said child with reference to the suitability of their home and characters and financial standings.
14. It is in the best interests of the child that the child be adopted by Petitioners.
15. The name of the child should be changed to \_\_\_\_\_.

### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

All allegations in the Petition have been proven and it is in the best interests of the child that, from this date to all legal intents and purposes, the child should be the child of the Petitioners, the name of the child should be changed as stated in the Findings of Fact above, and a decree of adoption should be issued.

### **ORDER FOR JUDGMENT**

It is therefore ordered and decreed that the Petitioners' Petition for Adoption is granted, that said child is the child of the Petitioners, that the child's name shall be as stated above, and that judgment and decree shall be entered accordingly.

LET JUDGMENT BE ENTERED ACCORDINGLY.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Judge of District Court

### **JUDGMENT AND DECREE OF ADOPTION**

I certify that the above Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order for Judgment and Decree constitute the Judgment and Decree of this Court.

The above-entitled adoption came on for hearing before the Court on \_\_\_\_\_, and the Court being fully advised in the premises did duly make and file its findings and order granting the Petition.

Now, pursuant to the Order for Judgment, it is adjudged and decreed that from and after this date, said child, having been given the name of \_\_\_\_\_ by Petitioners, shall be deemed and taken to be the child and heir of the Petitioners in all respects as though born to the Petitioners.

It is further adjudged and decreed that the name of said child be, and the same is legally changed to, and established as \_\_\_\_\_.

TERESA FREDRICKSON, Court Administrator

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Court Administrator