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— file - home
Theresa

Green Card Needs:

1. Support for the Immigration legislation coming up before Congress shortly. The legislation will extend the "Special Immigrant Religious Worker," Sec. 101(a)(27)(c)(ii). This legislation will provide the visa numbers needed to adjust the applications of over 100 of our Sisters for whom there are no visa numbers at this time. The legislation will also allow Religious Workers to continue to apply for permanent residence status for three more years.
2. Approval of change of status applications at the Regional Service Centers rather than forwarding them to district offices for the Sisters to be interviewed. The purposes of the interview are taken care of in the application process itself, as the Missionaries of Charity are the petitioning agency and the Society stands for each Sister for whom we make application.
3. Green cards issued in the Sister's passport name and with the passport birth date where more than one birth date is on record for a Sister.



"As long as you did it to one of these My least brother.. You did it to Me"

cc: Melanne
54A A.J.C. Bose Road
Calcutta - 700 016 INDIA
file Mother T

September 23, 1997

Dear President and Mrs. Clinton, Vice-President Gore, Honourable Senators and Congressmen,

These days of deep emotion following the passing away of our dearest Mother have also been days of remembering with fondness all the events of her life. I recall especially Mother's great love for the people of the United States and their love for her.

Mother visited the United States often, even from the very early days of her mission among the poorest of the poor. Over the course of the years, Mother founded some 42 centres in the United States, to bring the tender love of God to the poorest of the poor in that land.

The people of the United States in turn showered their love upon Mother, supporting all her works both materially and spiritually with that generosity that Americans are known for. Even the Government honoured Mother in many ways, granting her United States citizenship and, most recently, the Congressional Medal of Honour. Mother was so pleased to receive these honours as marks of love for the poor, and she spoke of them with great joy.

I come to you today, in Mother's name, to appeal that you, as a nation, give full recognition to the honours that you have given Mother. Mother was a woman full of the love of God. In honouring her, you have given voice to your praise and honour of that God who made Mother what she was. Now is the time to put the life of the whole nation behind its voice of honour. You will yourselves honour the honours you have given to Mother when you make sure that nothing against the law of God is allowed to be legal in your country, and when the poor of your nation and of the world are cared for with tenderness and compassion. I beg of you, in Mother's name, to dedicate yourselves to godliness with the same generosity with which you supported Mother's works of love. Then, at the last day, you will hear with joy, "I was hungry ... I was thirsty I was naked I was sick ... I was unborn ... I was searching for true moral values ... and YOU DID IT TO ME".

With assurance of prayers for all in your great nation.

GOD BLESS YOU,

H. Nirmala H.C

Sr. M. Nirmala, MC
Superior Genreal

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

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FAX COVER SHEET

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JERRY CASALE

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Date/Time: SISTER DOMINGA (718) 292-

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SISTER PAULA -

Message: MARIE 456-6244
KATY BUTTAN

PHONE/FAX LIST FROM

MEETING LAST WEEK

Immigration Issues Relating to Missionaries of Charity
October 31, 1997

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Jill Esposito	Visa Office, State Department	202-663-1251	202-663-3897
Alex Gisser	General Counsel Office/INS	202-616-7977	202-574-0455
Helen deThomas	INS	202-514-5014	202-514-0198
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Pearl Chang	INS	202-514-3240	202-514-0198
Sister M. Sabita	Missionaries of Charity	718-292-0019	718-292-2929
Sister M. Dominga	Missionaries of Charity	718-292-0019	718-292-2929
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Department of State
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September 20, 1997

Melanne Verveer
Assistant to the President
Chief of Staff to the First Lady
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Melanne,

Let me begin simply by noting that the presence of the First Lady and the Presidential delegation was very special to the Missionaries of Charity and to all of us at the Consulate General.

Each of us who has had the pleasure of serving the US Government through our assignments here has had the opportunity to work with in some capacity Mother Teresa and the Missionaries of Charity. I had grown quite close to Mother Teresa over the last year, but never did see her quite as much as I would have liked. I did, however, see her about three weeks before she passed away, and had taken Gregory (my son) to meet her which she had been after me to do for some while.

The first time I met her was while she was in the hospital a year ago in August. The second time occurred shortly thereafter when she was released from the hospital and back at the Mother House. At that time, she told me about her 1995 meeting with Mrs. Clinton. A week or so later, I received a letter from the First Lady to deliver to her. She came out to greet me and once I told her what I had, she truly snatched it out of my hands, tore open the envelop and read the letter out loud. She then handed the letter to me and asked me to read out loud again -- I asked if she thought the words would change if I read them. We had quite a chuckle. She was so tickled to have gotten that letter and really took joy from being able to tell people that she knew Mrs. Clinton.

Around the same time is when we got word that the President had signed the joint resolution making Mother Teresa an honorary U.S. citizen. I was working with the sisters to set up an event to present Mother with the resolution and the letter written by the President. As it turned out, (b)(6)

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Sister Priscilla told me that they had not told Mother that I would not be able to attend, hoping that I would have regained enough strength to visit the Mother House. In any case, Mother called me the second that the Ambassador and his party left to tell me that (A) they had come and gone, and (B) to read me the President's letter over the phone. The next time that I saw her at the Mother House, she had one of the sisters bring the President's letter (which we had put into a frame) and she read it out loud for me. When she finished, she said that this was the last letter she would get from the President. I asked her why she said that and she answered "because I feel it is so."

It is true that we never see people we care about as much as we should and I am lucky that I was able to see her as frequently as I did. She always mentioned her love of the American people, the help she got from the U.S., and the pleasure she took visiting the U.S. As I mentioned to you, she always reminded me that she had met the First Lady, it seemed a very natural thing for her to say.

I went to see Sisters Nirmala and Priscilla on September 18. The atmosphere at the Mother House was serene and peaceful. They both expressed their gratitude for Mrs. Clinton's visit to Shishu Bhavan and the Mother House, and added that Mrs. Clinton had told them that she would like to return to visit the other sites in Calcutta as well. By the way, I do not know if you and the First Lady had a chance to go into the chapel on the second floor where the sisters usually pray and have Mass. They now have a sculpture (crafted by a Spanish artist) of Mother Teresa seated in prayer on the floor on the spot where she usually prayed. It is so life-like that Sister Priscilla admitted to almost jumping out of her skin a couple of times when she passed the chapel.

I shall close here. I am happy to be able to share these stories with you and the First Lady. I will be sending separately copies of Sunday, September 14's newspapers and the order of the Mass books which you may want as keepsakes.

With warmest regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Cheryl". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping tail that extends downwards and to the right.

Tom



WHATEVER YOU DO
TO THE LEAST OF MY
'BRETHREN... THAT
YOU DO UNTO ME.

MATTHEW 25:40

DEAR FRIENDS.

MOTHER TERESA AND THE MISSIONARIES OF CHARITY
WOULD LIKE TO INVITE YOU TO THEIR NEW HOME ON
EASTERN AVENUE. ON THIS OCCASION, HIS EMINENCE
JAMES CARDINAL HICKEY WILL PRESIDE FOR THE BLESSING
OF THE HOUSE.

THE FIRST LADY, HILARY RODHAM CLINTON, AND MAYOR
MARION BARRY WILL JOIN US IN DEDICATING THIS HOME
IN WHICH THE SISTERS WILL CARE FOR THE CHILDREN WHO
WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR ADOPTION. THE CEREMONY WILL
TAKE PLACE AT 5649 EASTERN AVENUE N.W. WASHINGTON
D.C. ON MONDAY, JUNE 19th, 1995 AT 10:00 A.M.

FOLLOWING THE DEDICATION, HOLY MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED
AT 12:00 NOON AT THE SHRINE OF THE MOST BLESSED
SACRAMENT FOR THE PARISH AND ALL WHO WISH TO ATTEND.
OUR MOTHER WILL INTRODUCE THE SISTERS TO THE PAR-
ISHIONERS, AT THIS TIME.

WE WISH TO THANK GOD FOR ALL THOSE PEOPLE, WHO,
THROUGH THEIR KINDNESS AND GENEROSITY, ARE HELPING US
TO BRING THIS PROJECT TO FRUITION.

Sue Foreman

Dan Kerns

Sister Mary Berchmans

Marian Canney

GOD BLESS YOU.

M. Sylvia M.C.

SR. M. SYLVIA M.C.

FOR THE MISSIONARIES OF CHARITY

Donna Ryan

Elizabeth Eirich

Christine Ryan

Mary Siciliano

Linda O'Connor

Catherine O'Connor

Sheila O'Shaughnessy

Lael O'Shaughnessy

Site opens at 10:00 am; Program will
begin at 11:00 am.

One Hundred Fourth Congress
of the
United States of America

AT THE SECOND SESSION

*Begun and held at the City of Washington on Wednesday,
the third day of January, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-six*

Joint Resolution

To confer honorary citizenship of the United States on Agnes Gonxha Bojaxhiu,
also known as Mother Teresa.

Whereas the United States has conferred honorary citizenship on only three occasions in its more than two hundred years, and honorary citizenship is and should remain an extraordinary honor not lightly conferred nor frequently granted;

Whereas Agnes Gonxha Bojaxhiu, better known throughout the world as Mother Teresa, has worked tirelessly with orphaned and abandoned children, the poor, the sick, and the dying;

Whereas Mother Teresa founded the Missionaries of Charity in 1950, and has taken in those who have been rejected as "unacceptable" and cared for them when no one else would, regardless of race, color, creed, or condition;

Whereas Mother Teresa has deservedly received numerous honors, including the 1979 Nobel Peace Prize and the 1985 Presidential Medal of Freedom;

Whereas Mother Teresa has worked in areas all over the world, including the United States, to provide comfort to the world's neediest; and

Whereas Mother Teresa through her Missionaries of Charity has established within the United States numerous soup kitchens, emergency shelters for women, shelters for unwed mothers, shelters for men, after-school and summer camp programs for children, homes for the dying, prison ministry, nursing homes, and hospital and shut-in ministry: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Agnes Gonxha Bojaxhiu, also known as Mother Teresa, is proclaimed to be an honorary citizen of the United States of America.

Went Dign
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Strom Thurmond

~~Vice President of the United States and~~
President of the Senate *pro tempore.*

APPROVED

OCT - 1 1996

William J. Clinton

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MAY-12-95 12 24 FROM TELETYPE
Q. Who are the Missionaries of Charity?

A. The Missionaries of Charity is a world-wide religious Order of women. Their goal is to provide free services to the poor. Mother Teresa is the Superior General and President of the Missionaries of Charity. Sister M. Sylvia is the regional Superior and Vice-President/Treasurer of the Missionaries of Charity's headquarters in the United States, which is located in New York. Sister M. Dominga is the regional Secretary. The Missionaries of Charity have been active in the United States since the early 1970's.

Q. Are the Missionaries of Charity a new presence in the District of Columbia?

A. No. The Missionaries of Charity have been actively involved in the District of Columbia, providing charitable services to the community for almost fifteen years. In 1981, the Missionaries of Charity began operating a soup kitchen on Wheeler Road, S.E. A few years later, the facility on Wheeler Road was expanded to include a home for pregnant mothers. Approximately eight years ago, the Missionaries of Charity established a home for men and women who are infected with the AIDS virus as well as homeless men and women.

Q. What is the purpose of the Missionaries of Charity house located at 5649 Western Avenue?

A. The purpose of the house is to provide a loving and nurturing home for a limited number of babies to reside temporarily prior to being placed with either adoptive or foster families.

Q. Will the Missionaries of Charity be operating an adoption (child placement) agency?

A. No. The Missionaries of Charity will not operate a child placing agency, but will work in conjunction with other agencies, including Catholic Charities, to place children for adoption.

Q. By what process will the children be adopted or placed with foster families?

A. The Missionaries of Charity will work in conjunction with the District of Columbia government to place children with foster families. They will also work with adoption agencies, such as Catholic Charities, to place the children for adoption.

Q. What will be the age of the children who will live in the house?

A. The children will be between zero to three years of age.

Q. Who else will live in the house?

A. Several Sisters from the Missionaries of Charity will live in the house and will care for the children.

Q. What is the maximum number of children who will reside in the house?

A. The house will have a maximum of 8 children residing in it.

Q. How will the home be different from an orphanage-type institution?

A. The Missionaries of Charity house is will provide a temporary home for a very limited number of young children. There will likely be as many, or more, caretakers for each child as there are children, providing individual attention to each child. Also, on some occasions, mothers may reside in the home with their newborn children.

Q. Is this a home for children infected with the AIDS virus, or other sick children?

A. The Missionaries of Charity house is not intended to provide permanent shelter for children either sick or well. The house will not have any resident medical staff. The purpose of the Missionaries of Charity's house is to provide children with temporary housing pending the placement of the children in either foster or adoptive families.

Q. How will children be referred to the house? Where will the children come from?

A. The Sisters of the Missionaries of Charity will educate the District of Columbia community about the existence of the home so that pregnant women who want to relinquish their children for adoption will be aware of the temporary living arrangements provided by the home. These women will know that their children will have a safe and welcome place to live pending the adoptive placement.

Hospitals in which children have been abandoned may refer the children to the home and the District of Columbia government may also refer children.

Q. Will the citizens and taxpayers of the District of Columbia be responsible for funding or operating this home?

A. No. The home will operate purely on a private basis. The Missionaries of Charity will not seek any funds from the District of Columbia.

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Date: June 15, 1995

Please deliver the following page(s) to:

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FROM: Shep Abell

Client No. : NBP002-28

MESSAGE

Nicole:

Here are two lists of names for the VIP seating (well, standing) area, incorporating both Catholic Charities and others who have assisted the project from our firm or are expected to be helpful in the future, plus my wife and two adult children.

May I suggest that Cardinal Hickey and Bishop Lori be invited to the 10:00 a.m. meeting? Thanks.

Shep

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Person to contact: Patti Kolosky

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VIP

ADD TO LIST:

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M. Theresa Barker, Esquire

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MEMO-FAX

TO: Katy Button--The White House--202-456-6244
FROM: Arthur E. Sundstrom, Senior Pastor
DATE: June 15, 1995
RE: List of persons for "VIP" section

As requested by Marge Henning, attached is a list of persons from this church who may be admitted to the special area during Mrs. Clinton's visit to the house on Western Avenue which Mother Teresa and the Cardinal are to bless on Monday.

I have two questions: When I was personally contacted about this, prior to the group invitation, I was told that my wife and I would be in a special section reserved for those who had participated in the project. (I was among the group of those who met with Mrs. Clinton at the White House last month.) Is there a different section where my wife and I are to go or are we to be in this same area?

Second, do any of us need special passes or do we just give our name to a Secret Service Agent to be admitted to this special area?

Please call or fax my office with the responses.

Many thanks for the invitation. If any additional information is needed, please do not hesitate to call me or my office.

Many blessings!

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**Mother Teresa Project Meeting
May 15, 1995
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COMMENTS:

This is a list of Clergy, Vestrymembers, and Outreach/Service Committee members who will be in attendance at the dedication of the Missionaries of Charity house, 5649 Western Avenue, on Monday, June 19. These people understand that they are to begin arriving at 10:00am for an 11:00am dedication ceremony.

BC HILLARY-FOSTERCARE

Hillary Clinton calls for foster care system change

LOS ANGELES, (Reuter) - First lady Hillary Rodham Clinton Wednesday called for a major overhaul of the nation's foster care system to help thousands of children stuck in it.

"We must reform our foster care system so that it truly becomes a temporary refuge for children who can be returned to home, some other family member or other adult the child knows who would be a responsible caretaker," she said.

"Or we must move our system more efficiently to make the very difficult decision to terminate parental rights and free these children for adoption," said Clinton, drawing applause from an audience of 1,500 at the Children's Institute International's National Forum on Children and Violence.

"There are tens of thousands of children caught in our foster care system. Many of the nearly 500,000 children in America who are in foster care, are not going home.

"There is no home for them to return to, there are no responsible adults who will be there to take care of them," she said.

She said Americans must recognize that crime and violence, drug abusing and harmful family situations were not going to be remedied under the best of circumstances and with the greatest of efforts in time to make a difference for many children's lives.

Clinton said she learned of the system's inadequacies by working with Mother Theresa in setting up a small home in Washinton, D.C. to receive babies and mothers who wished to give up their infants for adoption.

"It took eight years. There are hundreds if not thousands of children at risk in the nation's capital and we could not cut through the red tape.

"The regulations were more concerned with how many cribs were in the room and the height of the sink than with what was happening to these children who did not have any safe haven," she said.

Clinton said these institutions' regulations need to embrace more common sense and that some of the energy spent on issues such as abortion, would be better spent in some measure on worrying about making adoptions easier.

Earlier Wednesday, the Children's Institute International, a Los Angeles-based private, non-profit organization that treats child abuse and neglect, released a poll that said nearly half of America's teen-agers, whether living in inner cities, suburbs or rural areas, believe that their schools were becoming more violent all the time.

The survey of 904 randomly selected teens showed that one in 10 were afraid of being shot or hurt by other teens who carry weapons to school.

"If we cannot keep our children safe in school, we cannot expect them to learn, and that should be our first priority," Clinton said of the survey.

She said taking guns off the streets and recreating a united front of adult authority were methods that would help prevent violence among the nation's youth.

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DATE: 15 June 95

FAX NO.: 456-6244

RE: PRAYER GROUP LIST

MESSAGE:

Melanne, attached is the prayer group list. Doug Coe's associate, Marilyn Dimock (703-522-0266), and his assistant, Jo Staats (703-247-3883), could also be invited. Both worked in bringing Mother Teresa to the Prayer Breakfast. If you would like to include some other friendly faces, my assistants Alison McGilchrist and Jennifer Wolff would be happy to come. Please give me a call if you would like more names.

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DATE: 6/16/95

RE: Dedication of Missionaries of Charity Home: 6/19/95

The following representatives of the National Council of Catholic Women will attend the dedication on 6/19/95:

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Jean Connell
Margaret Headley
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Lillian Queen
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Shep Abell
 FROM: Cynthia Morris
 DATE: June 15, 1995

SUBJECT: List of Staff Persons Attending - Mother Teresa's House
 Reception - Monday, June 19, 1995

Here is the list of Catholic Charities staff persons who will be attending the ceremony at Mother Teresa's Home on Monday, June 19, 1995.

Name	SSN #
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Mary T. Orzechowski, Spouse	
Bob Crittenden, Dir./Homeless Svcs.	
Michele Durbin, Chief Financial Officer	
Imogene Johnson, Dir/Human Resources	
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Anne Lipp, Adoption Program	
Richard Mattocks, Asst Dir/Homeless Svcs.	
Cynthia Morris, Exec. Asst.	
Eugene Poole, Vice Chair/Board of Directors	
Dorothy Tucker, Dir/Family and Children Svcs.	

If you have any questions or need any additional information, please give me a call at 202/526-4100 x231.

Thanks.

cc: Nicole Rabner, Office of the Firs

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DATE: June 15, 1995
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Those people attending from NETWORK are:

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Greg Lewis
Linda Rich
Mary Dietsch
Kathy Thornton
Sarah McGhee
Richelle Friedman
Margaret Houston
Michael Culliton
Mary Phillips
Kathleen Phelan
Bernie Spitzley

Thank you for the invitation!

Listed below are the names of the people from Chevy Chase Baptist Church to be included on the VIP list for the House Blessing on Monday, June 19.

Rosemary Kennedy

Ruth Frankenhild

Kenneth Hamiter

Nancy Tanner

Helen Henderson

Susan Levin

James Lyons

Julie Simpson

Peggy Scott

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Brown, Polly
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Bruder, Jean
Burke, Camilla
Burke, Jerome
Button, Katy
Byron, Father Bill

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Canney, Marian
Carey, Former Gov. Hugh
Carr, Leslie
Carr, Thomas
Cecil, Lorraine
Champlin, Alice
Champlin, William
Cisneros, Mary Alice
Clancy, Mary Ann
Clancy, Pat
Clarke, DC Council Chairman David
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Cole, Michelle
Connell, Jean

Conrad, Edwina
Cooper, Kent
Coronado, Helen
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Crago, Betty Jane
Crago, Robert
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Davis, Marilyn
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Dormant, Mimi
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Esseff, Jean
Esseff, Joseph
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Fitzgerald, Dania
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Foreman, Sue
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Hall, Janet
Hall, Lee
Hamiter, Kenneth
Harrison, Anna
Hatzell, Teresa
Hayes, Alice
Hayes, Edward
Haus, Claire
Headly, Margaret
Heising, Dewey
Henderson, Helen
Hickey, Cardinal
Houston, Margaret
Hurt, Bruce
Hurt, Patricia

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Irvin, Rev. Stuart
Irvin, Gergia K.

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Kerns, Dan
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Rotondaro, Fred
Rupert, Antoinette
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DATE: Thursday, June 15, 1995

RE.: Names to be invited to Mother Theresa event

*Diane Dewhurst
Susan Brophy*

Katy - I'm really sorry that there was apparently a miscommunication about what I needed to do for this event. I thought you just needed names from us, and I didn't hear from Mr. Rosapepe until late in the day to even get his thoughts. It was totally unclear to me that we were supposed to place the calls.

I will, unfortunately, not be in the office on Friday, so I really appreciate your offer to have an intern place the following calls:

— ? Art Gajarse (pronounced guy-arsa): (Left Message)
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? - Art Gajarse*

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TO Jemifer Wolff
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COMMENTS Attached is some information
on the event. Thanks for
your help.
-Katy

Mother Teresa Home Blessing

Mayor and Del. Eleanor Holmes Norton -- 10:15-10:30 arrival at checkpoints to be escorted to house.

Meet and Greet with key supporters outside house upon HRC arrival:

10:00 arrival for guests at Cathleen Curtain's home
5631 Western Avenue

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COMMENTS Attached is some information
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Thanks-

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file Mother Teresa

June 18, 1995

DEDICATION AND BLESSING OF THE MOTHER TERESA HOME

DATE: Monday, June 19th
TIME: 10:30 - 11:50 am
LOCATION: Mother Teresa Home
5649 Western Avenue, NW
FROM: Nicole Rabner

I. PURPOSE

To participate in the formal dedication and blessing of the Mother Teresa Home for Infant Children.

II. BACKGROUND

As you know, Mother Teresa and her order, the Missionaries of Charity, have established a home in Washington, D.C. for children aged zero to three to reside temporarily while awaiting placement in foster or adoptive homes. After many consultations and negotiations with the D.C. government and Catholic Charities, the Sisters will be ready to open the home as soon as they complete the renovations required by the D.C. government. The Sisters who will reside in the home will work in conjunction with Catholic Charities and the D.C. Department of Human Services for referrals of infants.

Mother Teresa Home Blessing and Dedication

This event will serve as the formal dedication and blessing of the Mother Teresa Home. When you arrive at the Home, you will proceed to a private meeting with Mother Teresa. Following that meeting, you will proceed with Mother Teresa, Mayor Barry, Del. Eleanor Holmes Norton, Sister Sylvia, Sandy McMurtrie, Cardinal Hickey and Monsignor Duffy throughout the home, as Cardinal Hickey performs the official blessing on the home. After this blessing, you will proceed with the party to a stage outside the front of the home, where many community and religious members will be gathered. Cardinal Hickey will say a blessing and deliver an opening prayer. Sandy McMurtrie and Sister Sylvia will then deliver welcoming remarks and introduce Monsignor Duffy of Blessed Sacrament Church. Monsignor Duffy will then deliver remarks and introduce Mayor Barry, who will make remarks. Following Mayor Barry's remarks, Monsignor Duffy will introduce Mother Teresa, who will make remarks and introduce you. You will make remarks and close the program.

Following the program, Mother Teresa and Monsignor Duffy, as well as many members of the audience, will proceed to the nearby Blessed Sacrament Church to join in a public mass held in honor of Mother Teresa.

Audience

The Sisters have invited the neighbors of the home and the members of the nearby church congregations to the dedication. We have also reached out to the local catholic community through the Office of Public Liaison, Georgetown University, Catholic non-profit organizations, and Linda Lader's prayer group.

See attached Q&A for further background.

III. PARTICIPANTS

Private Meeting with Mother Teresa

- Mrs. Clinton
- Mother Teresa
- Melanne Verveer
- Sister Sylvia, regional Superior and Vice President/Treasurer of the Missionaries of Charity
- Sandy McMurtrie, Mother Teresa's U.S. representative
- Cardinal Hickey

Blessing of the Mother Teresa Home

- Mrs. Clinton
- Mother Teresa
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IV. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

- HRC proceeds to private meeting with Mother Teresa
- HRC proceeds to blessing of Mother Teresa's Home for Infant Children
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- Cardinal Hickey delivers blessing and opening prayer
- Sandy McMurtrie and Sister Sylvia deliver welcoming remarks and introduce Monsignor Duffy
- Monsignor Duffy delivers remarks and introduces Mayor Marion Barry and acknowledges Del. Eleanor Holmes Norton and Bishop Lori
- Mayor Barry delivers remarks
- Monsignor Duffy introduces Mother Teresa
- Mother Teresa delivers remarks and introduces HRC
- HRC delivers remarks
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- HRC departs through house

V. PRESS PLAN

Open Press.

VI. REMARKS

Provided by Lissa Muscatine.

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M. M. Sylvia M.C.

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FOR THE MISSIONARIES OF CHARITY

Q. Who are the Missionaries of Charity?

A. The Missionaries of Charity is a world-wide religious Order of women. Their goal is to provide free services to the poor. Mother Teresa is the Superior General and President of the Missionaries of Charity. Sister M. Sylvia is the regional Superior and Vice-President/Treasurer of the Missionaries of Charity's headquarters in the United States, which is located in New York. Sister M. Dominga is the regional Secretary. The Missionaries of Charity have been active in the United States since the early 1970's.

Q. Are the Missionaries of Charity a new presence in the District of Columbia?

A. No. The Missionaries of Charity have been actively involved in the District of Columbia, providing charitable services to the community for almost fifteen years. In 1981, the Missionaries of Charity began operating a soup kitchen on Wheeler Road, S.E. A few years later, the facility on Wheeler Road was expanded to include a home for pregnant mothers. Approximately eight years ago, the Missionaries of Charity established a home for men and women who are infected with the AIDS virus as well as homeless men and women.

Q. What is the purpose of the Missionaries of Charity house located at 5649 Western Avenue?

A. The purpose of the house is to provide a loving and nurturing home for a limited number of babies to reside temporarily prior to being placed with either adoptive or foster families.

Q. Will the Missionaries of Charity be operating an adoption (child placement) agency?

A. No. The Missionaries of Charity will not operate a child placing agency, but will work in conjunction with other agencies, including Catholic Charities, to place children for adoption.

Q. By what process will the children be adopted or placed with foster families?

A. The Missionaries of Charity will work in conjunction with the District of Columbia government to place children with foster families. They will also work with adoption agencies, such as Catholic Charities, to place the children for adoption.

Q. What will be the age of the children who will live in the house?

A. The children will be between zero to three years of age.

Q. Who else will live in the house?

A. Several Sisters from the Missionaries of Charity will live in the house and will care for the children.

Q. What is the maximum number of children who will reside in the house?

A. The house will have a maximum of 8 children residing in it.

Q. How will the home be different from an orphanage-type institution?

A. The Missionaries of Charity house is will provide a temporary home for a very limited number of young children. There will likely be as many, or more, caretakers for each child as there are children, providing individual attention to each child. Also, on some occasions, mothers may reside in the home with their newborn children.

Q. Is this a home for children infected with the AIDS virus, or other sick children?

A. The Missionaries of Charity house is not intended to provide permanent shelter for children either sick or well. The house will not have any resident medical staff. The purpose of the Missionaries of Charity's house is to provide children with temporary housing pending the placement of the children in either foster or adoptive families.

Q. How will children be referred to the house? Where will the children come from?

A. The Sisters of the Missionaries of Charity will educate the District of Columbia community about the existence of the home so that pregnant women who want to relinquish their children for adoption will be aware of the temporary living arrangements provided by the home. These women will know that their children will have a safe and welcome place to live pending the adoptive placement.

Hospitals in which children have been abandoned may refer the children to the home and the District of Columbia government may also refer children.

Q. Will the citizens and taxpayers of the District of Columbia be responsible for funding or operating this home?

A. No. The home will operate purely on a private basis. The Missionaries of Charity will not seek any funds from the District of Columbia.

To: Mrs. Clinton
From: Nicole Rabner

Re: Update on Mother Teresa and Visa Fees

The following is a draft memo from NSC to the President about Mother Teresa and visa fees, which you may want to mention to Mother Teresa during your private meeting with her. As you will see from the memo, the Administration recommends that we pursue a legislative exception for Mother Teresa and others coming to the United States with a purely charitable mission, but any action will require congressional assent.

DRAFT DA MELANNE

Subject: Mother Theresa and Visa Fees

When you saw Mother Theresa last year, she complained about visa fees that her Sisters of Charity had to pay when traveling to the United States. These fees are based primarily on reciprocity requirements in our Immigration and Nationality Act (though we also impose processing charges for machine-readable visas). The Indian Government charges fees for American religious workers traveling to India and our law requires that we do the same.

You told Mother Theresa that you would review this matter and we concluded that a legislative exception was the most appropriate means to address her concern. We thus plan to include the following amendment in a "Consular Efficiency" bill that will shortly be introduced in Congress. Without undermining our general reciprocity rules, it would enable us, in a narrow class of cases, to reduce or waive visa fees for Mother Theresa's Sisters of Charity and others who are undertaking charitable activities:

...subject to such criteria as the Secretary of State may establish, including duration of stay and financial burdens upon the organization, nonimmigrant visa and application fees may be waived or reduced for visas issued to persons coming to the United States primarily for, or in activities related to, eleemosynary [charitable] purposes involving health and nursing care, the provision of food and housing, job training or similar direct services and assistance to needy individuals in the United States.

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During their nearly hourlong meeting, Cardinal Hickey and Mother Teresa also discussed the nun's desire to open a residence in mainland China. "Please pray that I can open a home," she asked the cardinal.

"I heard once that within two years after you open a home in a (former Iron Curtain) country, communism has fallen there," Cardinal Hickey said, pointing to the nun's residences throughout Eastern Europe. "I'll pray that you open a home in China."

At a time when vocations to religious life are in decline, Mother Teresa said that her order has experienced phenomenal growth. "We are having a

first-time profession in Nairobi for sisters from all of Africa," she said. She added that Missionaries of Charity novitiates around the world are full, and that Poland has 500 novices ready to join the order.

The Missionaries of Charity have homes in the Ukraine and in 15 other locations throughout the former Soviet Union. Since the fall of communism there, Mother Teresa has maintained a correspondence with former Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev. "Every year on the Feast of St. Michael I write to him and wish him a happy feast day," she noted.

In Albania, which suffered under one of Eastern Europe's harshest and most repressive communist regimes, there are eight residences run by the Missionaries of Charity, Mother Teresa said.

"We have beautiful vocations in Albania," she said. "We have to have them (some candidates) baptized and receive First Communion before they can join" the order.

In 1967, Albania's communist government declared itself as the world's first atheist state. The right to practice religion there was restored in 1990.

On Sunday, Mother Teresa visited with her sisters in the Anacostia section of Washington and attended Mass at St. Teresa of Avila Church. In 1980, St. Teresa of Avila was the first parish in this archdiocese in which Mother Teresa established a home.

She reiterated the same plea she made Saturday at St. Aloysius. She called on those in the church to be more concerned for the plight of the poor and homeless, urged families to pray together, and asked for prayers

that her order be successful in opening a home in China.

After leaving Washington Sunday, Mother Teresa traveled to Charlotte, N.C., the diocese of Bishop William G. Curlin, a longtime friend of the nun and a former auxiliary bishop in Washington. Bishop Curlin was also the chaplain for Gift of Peace, the Missionary of Charity-run home in Northeast Washington for persons with AIDS.

When he was installed as Bishop of Charlotte, Bishop Curlin told the *Standard* that one of his first actions as bishop would be to invite Mother Teresa to open a home in his diocese. In Charlotte, she was expected to give an address at the Coliseum arena and open a home for the poor and destitute. After leaving North Carolina, she was scheduled to visit Atlanta.

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April 26, 1995.

Dear Mrs. Clinton

God love you for the love you give and the joy you have shared by your visit to our Home in Delhi, alongwith your generous and thoughtful gift. I am so sorry not to have been able to meet you and hope that you will visit Calcutta soon.

The Poor are beautiful people, they are God's gift to us - drawing us all together to bring His Peace & Love in our world today.

My deep gratitude to you, is my prayer for you.

*Let us pray
God bless you
Be Teresa M*

The fruit of SILENCE is Prayer
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"WHATEVER YOU DO."

WELCOMING REMARKS

⇒ MASTER OF CEREMONIES ~ REV. MSGR. THOMAS M. DUFFY ←

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RE.: Names to be invited to Mother Theresa event

Diane Dewherst
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✓ - Fred Rotondaro

X - for all others

Katy - I'm really sorry that there was apparently a miscommunication about what I needed to do for this event. I thought you just needed names from us, and I didn't hear from Mr. Rosapepe until late in the day to even get his thoughts. It was totally unclear to me that we were supposed to place the calls.

I will, unfortunately, not be in the office on Friday, so I really appreciate your offer to have an intern place the following calls:

— ? Art Gajarse (pronounced guy-arsa):
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(Left Message)

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TO: Mike Waldman
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12/1/96

You may want to mention:

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I hope this is helpful.

8 pgs total

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Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Agnes Gonxha Bojaxhiu, also known as Mother Teresa, is proclaimed to be an honorary citizen of the United States of America.

Antony D. ...
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Strom Thurmond

~~Vice President of the United States and~~

President of the Senate *pro tempore.*

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October 18, 1996

Mother Teresa
Mother House
54/A A.J.C. Bose Road
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INDIA

Dear Mother Teresa:

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Through your many years of selfless devotion, you have enriched the lives of countless others and served as an inspiring example of faith and dedication. You have tended steadfastly to the physical and spiritual needs of the people of nearly every continent, fostering fellowship and compassion through your every word and deed. Your efforts to serve God and your fellow human beings make a positive difference daily around the globe.

Since hearing God's calling and becoming a missionary as a young woman, you have created hope and opportunity for people in India and around the world, and you have embodied what it means to be an American -- giving people the tools they need to make the most of their own lives, strengthening the fabric of their society, and uplifting those who couldn't help themselves. The people of America are truly grateful for your tireless service and commitment to the greater good.

Hillary and I are hoping and praying that you are blessed with full recovery of your health.

Sincerely, **BILL CLINTON**

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June 19, 1995

**Remarks by First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton at
Mother Teresa's Home for Infant Children
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MRS. CLINTON: Thank you all. Thank you very much. And I too am so pleased that this day has come, and it has come with the support, and caring, and love and contributions of so many people. I want to begin by thanking His Eminence, Cardinal Hickey, Monsignor Duffy, Sister Sylvia, Mayor Barry, Congresswoman Norton, and all who have participated in bringing this day to fruition. I also want again to greet and thank Mother Teresa. We take great inspiration from your work and from your ceaseless pursuit of what you believe in.

Earlier I was speaking with Mother and she looked at me and said, "This is a gift of love but I've been told I cannot give the gift of peace because I don't give peace to anyone." And I told her that one of my favorite sayings from another woman whom I admired, Eleanor Roosevelt, when she too would be criticized for pursuing what she believed in, she would often say, "I consider my job to comfort the afflicted and to afflict the comfortable." And so today we have one of those rare moments when the afflicted and the comfortable come together on behalf of the future.

I'm often asked what it is I would like to see happen above all else in our country and in our world and there are so many things to wish for, aren't there? So many things to pray for, so many things to work for. But certainly at the top of my answer would be a world in which all boys and girls are loved and cared for. First, by the families into which they are born, then into families-- if those families are not able to take care of them, and assume the responsibilities for raising them-- then by extended families and by really the family of us all who more and more we have to recognize are all interconnected. And then, finally, by the families that those boys and girls grow up in, whom they in turn invest with love and caring to create societies that value every single child as a gift to be nurtured.

We know we are a long way from that even in our own country, and some days I fear we are retreating from that vision instead of moving toward it. But we have to continue to work to build

those kinds of conditions for every child. That is why most of us, I believe, are here today because we do recognize our own blessings and we do believe that each of us has a responsibility, not only to our own children, but to all children.

When I visited the home run by the Missionaries of Charity in New Delhi, I was struck forcefully by the love that emanated from every corner of that building. Near it was a home that wouldn't pass inspection in any town in America. There were too many cribs with too many babies too close together. I am sure there were not enough toilets or enough space for what was being done there, by some kind of regulatory formula, but all I knew was that there was enormous love and care and concern being given to those children. You can sense it when you walk into buildings where children are cared for, can't you? You can feel the difference when you walk in the door of a child care center, school, or a hospital, or a shelter where children are cared for and you can know in the gut of your soul whether or not you would leave your own child there.

That is the test for every single facility that we have for any child in America. I call it the "Chelsea test." Some of you might call it the Jane or the Jack or the Mary or the Charles test. But that should be the test. So by that test this house passes with flying colors. You can already sense it is a place where not only those who come here get the care and love they need but it will have ripple effects throughout this neighborhood and community.

This has been about 16 months of hard work. As the Cardinal said, I first spoke with Mother Teresa about this after the National Prayer Breakfast and then we both agreed that each of us could work together to help promote better conditions for our children, that each of us could do what we believe our own purpose sets us to doing, and that we could, by working together, create this opportunity.

The truth is that this is just a beginning and it will grow and have meaning in people's lives as lives here are saved and changed and allowed to go forward. I'm particularly pleased that this house will serve as a place from which children will be adopted under the responsibility of Catholic Charities, and I would personally plead that everyone who knows of this house, everyone who knows of other places like it, will do all that can be done to promote adoption of the children here in our own country. We have more than 400,000 children languishing in foster care in America.

Many parents are discouraged from adopting because of the high profile cases that unfortunately demonstrate that on a rare occasion an adoptive family may not be able to keep the child whom they have adopted. Those are rare occurrences. They should

not be permitted to discourage Americans from adopting American babies and children. So please use this occasion to do all that you can to promote adoption, not only of the babies who will come here, but of all babies and children. They all deserve homes and families in America today.

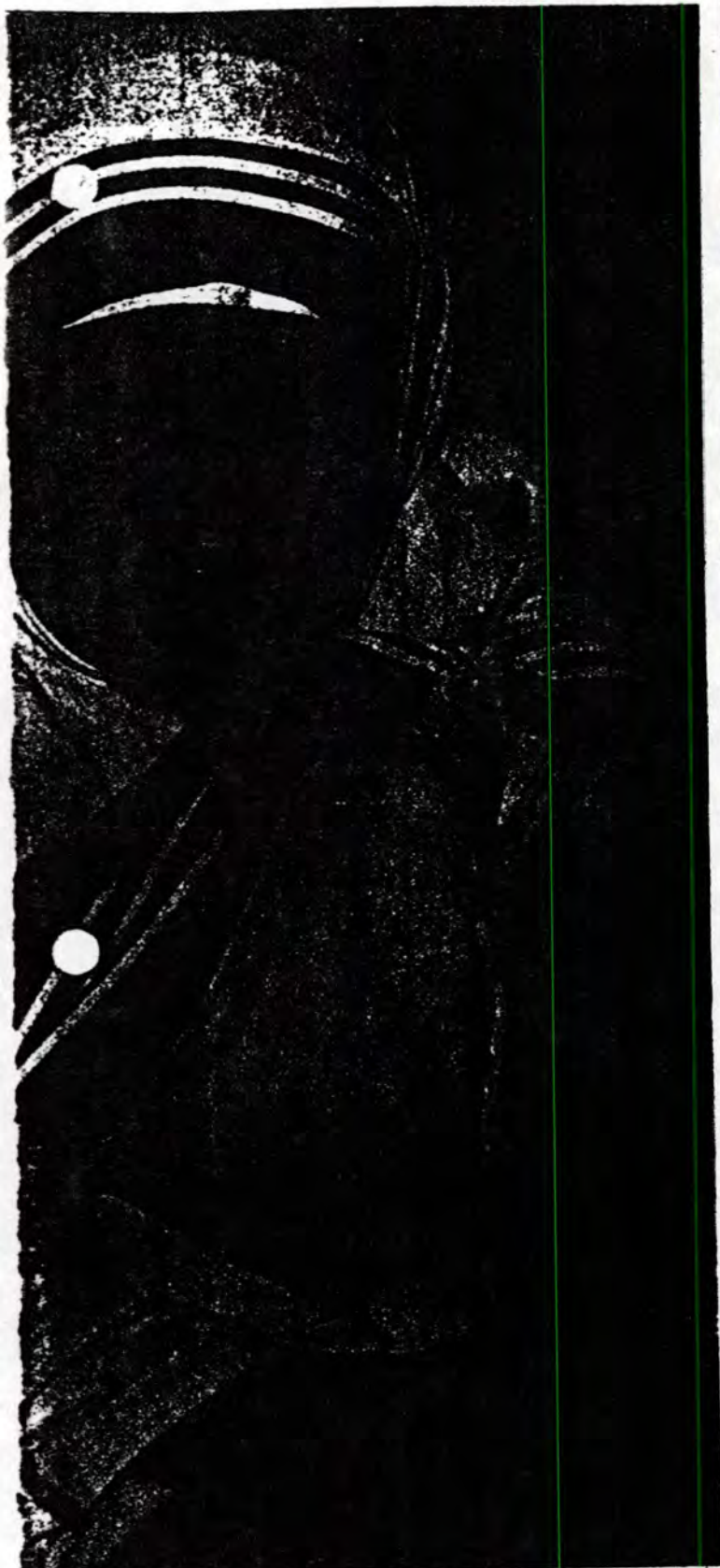
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I also want to commend Catholic Charities for forming a partnership with the Sisters on behalf of children in this district and I want to thank the lawyers who worked so hard donating their time. Many more hours than they ever thought when they agreed to do this to bring about all of the necessary changes that were required. I particularly want to thank Marna Tucker and Debbie Pollock for your countless hours of help on behalf of this effort. And I also want to say a personal word of thanks to Melanne Verveer on my staff for helping to coordinate this effort.

Let me end by saying that this home will be an extraordinary place for the children and mothers who come here. I know that it will serve as an example of what all of us can do if we're willing to work on behalf of one another and particularly on behalf of our children. I want to thank Mother Teresa for this gift of love and for the work that she and the Sisters are doing throughout our community here in America and around the world.

It is my hope that all of us will think in our own ways about what else each of us can do to ease the passage, to help soothe the troubles of people around us. There is so much need and as we rethink what government's responsibility is let's remember we are our government. In a democracy, there is no "us" and "them" and if we say we want government to do things other than what it has been doing in providing direct services to people, then we have to govern ourselves in such a way that we make up the difference. Otherwise we will live to see a society in which our dreams for all of our children, instead of becoming closer to a reality, recedes further and further away and that on this day is something none of us should want to see happen. Thank you all for being part of this.

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A promise kept

Mother Teresa to open home here for babies awaiting adoption

By Richard Szczepanowski
CATHOLIC STANDARD

Mother Teresa's Missionaries of Charity order will open a home in Northwest Washington for babies awaiting adoption. Although Cardinal James Hickey will bless the home on Western Avenue next week, the residence is not expected to open until fall.

Mother Teresa, while in Washington last weekend as part of a four-city visit to the United States, received the profession of perpetual vows from 15 of her sisters; met Saturday with Cardinal James Hickey and Auxiliary Bishop William Lori; and attended Mass at St. Teresa of Avila Church in Southeast Washington.

At her meeting with Cardinal Hickey and Bishop Lori, Mother Teresa said that the idea of a home for babies came about after discussions last year with First Lady Hilary Rodham Clinton.

"Mrs. Clinton told me she admired what I do for children," Mother Teresa said during the meeting at St. Aloysius Church, N.E. "I told her 'I could do more if I had another house.' She said she would get me another house."

The discussion between Mrs. Clinton and Mother Teresa took place after last year's now-famous National Prayer Breakfast at which the 84-year-old nun spoke. President and Mrs. Clinton, Vice-President Al Gore, Tipper Gore, and several lawmakers listened as Mother

Teresa called abortion the "the greatest destroyer of peace... because it is a war against children."

Pro-life leaders have criticized the Clinton administration for its outspoken support of legal abortion.

Also at last year's prayer breakfast, Mother Teresa offered to find an adoptive home for any baby threatened by abortion. She said that she was "willing to accept any child who would be aborted and give that child to a married couple who will love the child."

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The Northwest residence that will be dedicated next week will house 12 persons, four members of the Missionaries of Charity and a total of eight children or pregnant women. The home will offer temporary residence for women facing an unwanted pregnancy but who do not wish to abort their babies.

The home, whose name has not yet been announced, was an anonymous donation to the Missionaries of Charity.

"This is a very good first step," said Msgr. Raymond East, pastor of St. Teresa of Avila. "Mother is

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fulfilling her promise at the prayer breakfast that she would take every child of a mother who is considering abortion."

The Northwest Side Story, a community weekly newspaper serving the area where the home will be located, said the home "is not expected to generate extra noise or traffic in the neighborhood." More details on the home were not available as the *Standard* went to press this week.

Mrs. Clinton's support of Mother Teresa's work was also highlighted during the First Lady's recent trip to Asia. "Mrs. Clinton came to India and was so taken by what she saw," Mother Teresa said. "I was in Vietnam at the time, but

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§ 32-1001 et. seq., Placement of Children in Family Homes
§ 32-1041 et. seq., Interstate Compact on Placement of Children

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THE CREATION AND OPERATION OF A CHILD-PLACING
AGENCY IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

A. Statute, Regulations, Agencies

1. 29 District of Columbia Municipal Regulations § 1600 et. seq., Standards of Placement, Care, and Services for Child-Placing Agencies
2. D.C. Code §16-301 et. seq., Adoption
3. D.C. Code §32-1001 et. seq., Placement of Children in Family Homes
4. D.C. Code §32-1042 et. seq., Interstate Compact on Placement of Children
5. Department of Consumer & Regulatory Affairs
6. Interstate Compact Unit within the Commission of Social Services, Department of Human Services

B. Licensing Requirements

1. Incorporation in D.C./Non-profit basis
2. Board of Directors-5 members
3. Funding
 - a. Sufficient funds must be available for a 12 month period of operation
4. Staff
 - a. Minimum 3 persons: executive director, director of social services, office staff person
 - b. Specific qualifications for staff members
 - c. Criminal investigations and references for all employees with direct contact with children and clients

5. Application Requirements¹

- a. "Program Statements" describing the agency's child placing philosophy and purpose, the geographical area it intends to serve, and the specific services it intends to provide.
- b. Letter describing incorporation and non-profit status of agency
- c. By-laws and articles of incorporation
- d. Chart showing administrative structure and staffing of agency
- e. Projected budget for upcoming year
- f. Policy describing relationship between fees and services
- g. Written plan for recruitment of adoptive homes
 - 1. If serving minority children, plan for actively recruiting homes of the same race or ethnic background as the children

C. Required Services

- 1. Written case plans for each child
- 2. Adoptive home study services
- 3. Services to adoptive parents
- 4. Social services to birth parents and children
- 5. Foster care
 - a. Relations with foster care homes for temporary placement of children
 - b. Foster home studies
 - c. Training for prospective foster care parents
 - d. Maintaining contact with children in foster care homes

¹ This section sets forth the principal documents to submit in conjunction with a licensing application. "Required Attachments-New Application," attached hereto, lists all of the required documents.

D. Additional Issues

1. Interstate or international placements
 - a. D.C. Code §32-1041, Interstate Compact on Placement of Children
 - b. Interstate placement requirements of all states involved
2. Fees
 - a. Licensed agency operating exclusively for religious or charitable purposes may charge adoptive parents a maximum of \$5,000 for child placement services
3. Compliance with D.C. Code §32-1007 regarding the severance of parental rights

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REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS - NEW APPLICATION

A. PROGRAM STATEMENT

A copy of the Program Statement, as required by 29 DCMR, Section 1600.2.

A copy of the Program Statement, as required by 29 DCMR, Section 1600.3.

B. INCORPORATION

The agency shall be legally incorporated in the District of Columbia and shall provide a letter of goodstanding and a statement to the effect that the agency operates on a non-profit basis, as required by 29 DCMR, Section 1601.1

The agency shall provide a copy of the by-laws and articles of Incorporation which state the purpose of the organization, including the operation of a child placing agency, as required by 29 DCMR, Section 1601.2.

C. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The agency shall provide a list of the Board Members, including full names and addresses, as required by 29 DCMR, Section 1602.

The agency shall provide a written policy statement for rotation of board members, as required by 29 DCMR, Section 1602.3.

All members of the Board shall provide letters of reference from three (3) unrelated persons to certify each board member is of good character, as required by 29 DCMR, Section 1602.5.

The agency shall provide a criminal background investigative report on each Board Member, as required by 29 DCMR, Section 1602.5.

D. ORGANIZATIONAL TABLE

The agency shall submit a current organizational table reflecting the administrative structure and staffing of the agency, as required by 29 DCMR, Section 1604.1.

E. FUNDING

A projected budget detailing anticipated income and expenses for the coming year, as required by 29 DCMR, Section 1605.

F. FEES

The agency shall submit a policy describing the relationship between fees and services provided and the conditions under which fees are charged, warned and refunded, as required by 29 DCMR, Section 1608.2. (See attached requirement)

G. RECORDING KEEPING

The agency shall provide a sample and explanation of its financial record keeping system, as required by 29 DCMR, Section 1606.1.

H. PERSONNEL

The agency shall provide personnel policies and procedures, as required by 29 DCMR, Section 1610.3 (a-i).

The agency shall provide a list of staff and positions, including contract Social Worker(s) and students, as required by 29 DCMR, Sections 1612, 1614, and 1616.

I. ADOPTIVE SERVICES

The agency shall provide a written plan for recruitment of adoptive homes, as required by 29 DCMR, Section 1617.1.

The agency shall provide a plan for recruiting homes of the same race or ethnic category as the children, as required by 29 DCMR, Section 1617.2.

J. MAINTENANCE OF RECORDS

The agency shall provide a written policy to protect the confidentiality of personnel and client, records, as required by 29 DCMR, Section 1637.1.

The agency that ceases placing children shall make the arrangements, per approved written policy, to protect and store records, as required by 29 DCMR, Section 1637.5.

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THE COMMITTEE ON REGULATIONS FOR PLACEMENT OF CHILDREN IN FAMILY HOMES

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

NOTICE OF FINAL RULEMAKING

The Director of the Department of Human Services, pursuant to authority set out in the Mayor's Reorganization Plan No. 3 of 1986, D. C. Law 3-59, the "District of Columbia Child-Placing Authority Act of 1979," D. C. Law 4-141, the "District of Columbia Child-Placing Authority Act Amendment Act of 1982," D. C. Code, section 32-1003(a) and Mayor's Order 82-205 hereby gives notice of his intent to adopt the following new Chapter 16 of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations, Title 29, entitled "Standards of Placement, Care, and Services For Child-Placing Agencies," as adopted by the Committee on Regulations for the Placement of Children.

Comments have been received and minor revisions have been made to the text of the proposed rules published on January 26, 1990 at 37 DCR 859. Final action to adopt these rules was taken on April 23, 1990. These final rules will be effective upon publication of this notice in the D. C. Register.

29 DCMR is amended by adding the following new Chapter 16:

CHAPTER 16 STANDARDS OF PLACEMENT, CARE, AND SERVICES FOR
CHILD-PLACING AGENCIES

1600 GENERAL PROVISIONS; ADMINISTRATION

- 1600.1 This chapter shall govern the placement of children under 16 years of age in family homes and the care and guidance to be provided children and their families during the placement process.
- 1600.2 Each child-placing agency shall have a written statement of its child placing philosophy, purpose, and program. The statement shall contain a description of each service the agency provides and the methods of service delivery. The statement shall be available to the Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs, referral sources, and the public on request.
- 1600.3 Each child-placing agency shall provide a description of the geographical area the agency serves or intends to serve with the specific services it provides or proposes to provide.
- 1600.4 Each child-placing agency shall have an office and staff within the District of Columbia.

1601 INCORPORATION

- 1601.1 Each child-placing agency shall be legally incorporated in the District of Columbia and shall operate on a non-profit basis.
- 1601.2 Each child-placing agency shall operate according to by-laws and articles of incorporation which state the purpose of the organization includes the operation of a child-placing agency.

1602 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- 1602.1 Each child-placing agency shall have a board of directors (Board) which shall be the governing body responsible for the operation, policies, and practices of the agency.
- 1602.2 The Board shall have, as members, at least five (5) unrelated persons, who are representatives of diverse communities and experience, have knowledge of and belief in the program, and are able to contribute to it from their experience.
- 1602.3 The members of the Board shall include past consumers of services of a child-placing agency. There shall be a written policy statement providing for the rotation of Board members.
- 1602.4 The executive director of the child-placing agency may be a member of the Board. The executive director shall not serve as a presiding officer of the Board.
- 1602.5 Members of the Board shall be of good character as determined by letters of reference and criminal background investigations.

1603 RESPONSIBILITY OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- 1603.1 The Board shall employ a qualified executive director to administer and operate the child-placing agency.
- 1603.2 The Board shall regularly evaluate the executive director's performance.
- 1603.3 The Board shall establish overall policy for the child-placing agency. Written policies shall be available to each Board member, employee, and consumer of the child-placing agency's services.
- 1603.4 The Board shall approve the annual budget of anticipated income and expenditures necessary to provide the services of the child-placing agency. The Board shall approve the annual financial audit report.

1603.5 The Board shall meet at least quarterly. A quorum shall be present at each meeting.

1603.6 The Board shall maintain records of attendance and minutes of its meetings. The records and minutes shall be available for inspection by the Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs.

1604 ORGANIZATIONAL TABLE

1604.1 Each child-placing agency shall maintain a current organizational table showing the administrative structure and staffing of the agency, including the lines of authority.

1605 FUNDING

1605.1 Each child-placing agency shall document that it has sufficient funds to meet all requirements for licensure. The child-placing agency shall assure that sufficient funds are available for a twelve (12) month period of operation.

1606 RECORD KEEPING

1606.1 Each child-placing agency shall maintain financial records of all receipts, disbursements, assets, and liabilities in such a manner as to facilitate adequate financial reporting and shall establish an accounting system capable of tracking all movements of funds and the actual expenditures for each case.

1607 AUDIT

1607.1 Each child-placing agency shall have its financial records audited annually by an independent certified public accountant.

1608 FEES

1608.1 Each child-placing agency shall establish fees according to regulations published in 32 DCR 4201(1985).

1608.2 The child-placing agency's policy shall describe the relationship between fees and services provided and the conditions under which fees are charged, waived, or refunded.

1608.3 Each child-placing agency shall make its policy on fees available for public inspection.

1608.4 Each child-placing agency shall provide each client with a written estimate of the cost of services to be provided, contracted for, or arranged by the agency, prior to contracting to deliver the services.

1608.5 The child-placing agency shall not accept money or any item of value or services from clients or their representatives beyond the established fees for services in connection with placing any child for adoption.

1609 OFFICE SPACE

1609.1 Each child-placing agency shall provide suitable space for the following purposes:

- (a) Office and reception areas with convenient space and privacy for clients and staff;
- (b) Areas for confidential interviewing with parents and children; and
- (c) Storage areas for personnel and client records that provide controlled access, retrieval, and confidentiality.

1610 PERSONNEL

1610.1 Each child-placing agency shall have written policies and procedures on the recruitment, retention, and evaluation of personnel.

1610.2 The staff qualifications setout in this chapter shall apply to those persons appointed to positions after the effective date of this chapter.

1610.3 The policies and procedures shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

- (a) Written job description and titles for each position defining the qualifications, duties, and lines of authority;
- (b) A description of the hiring procedure;
- (c) A description of the termination procedure established for resignation, retirement, or discharge;
- (d) Salary scales and provisions for salary increases;

- (e) A description of employee benefits including provisions for paid annual leave, sick leave, other leave, insurance, pensions, and other benefits;
- (f) Provisions which will encourage professional growth through supervision, orientation, in-service training, regularly scheduled meetings, and staff development;
- (g) Procedures for annual evaluation of the performance of each staff member, which includes provisions for a written evaluation of each employee within six (6) months after being appointed and annually thereafter;
- (h) A grievance procedure for employees; and
- (i) A plan for review of the personnel policies and practices with staff participation at least every three (3) years, and for revision of the policies and practices when necessary.

1611 PERSONNEL RECORDS

- 1611.1 Each child-placing agency shall have a personnel file on each employee, which shall include, but not be limited to, the following:
- (a) The application for employment or resume;
 - (b) Applicant's educational credentials;
 - (c) At least three (3) letters of reference;
 - (d) Annual performance evaluations signed by both the employee and supervisor;
 - (e) Record of any personnel actions;
 - (f) Documentation of any professional licensure;
 - (g) Name of employee's immediate supervisor;
 - (h) Documentation of participation in in-service training;
 - (i) Signed statement by employee that written personnel policies were reviewed;
 - (j) Criminal record (other than minor traffic violations);

- (k) Physical examination reports required in section 1612.2;
- (l) Letter of resignation or reason for termination, upon termination of employment with the agency; and
- (m) Job position description.

1611.2 Each child-placing agency shall have written procedures to safeguard the confidentiality of the personnel records.

1611.3 Each child-placing agency shall maintain the personnel records of any employee who leaves the agency for a period of five (5) years.

1612 STAFF FUNCTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS

1612.1 A child-placing agency shall require at least three (3) character references for each employee prior to appointment.

1612.2 Each child-placing agency shall require a written report on the applicant's mental and physical conditions including addictions which could adversely affect the applicant's capacity to work with children.

1612.3 Each child-placing agency shall prior to employment, perform a criminal records check on any person who will have direct contact with the children and clients. The child-placing agency shall ensure that each employee is free of any conviction or pending charges without a final disposition for the commission of, attempt to commit, or assault with intent to commit any of the following criminal offenses or a criminal offense which is equivalent to any of the following:

- (a) Murder;
- (b) Child abuse;
- (c) Rape;
- (d) A sexual offense involving a minor, nonconsenting adult, or a person who is mentally defective, mentally incapacitated, or physically helpless;
- (e) Child pornography;

- (f) Kidnapping of a child;
- (g) Child abduction; or
- (h) A drug-related offense which could affect the employee's ability to perform his or her duties.

1613 JOB FUNCTIONS AND STAFF QUALIFICATIONS

- 1613.1 Each child-placing agency shall employ a minimum of three (3) persons including an executive director, director of social services, and office staff person.
- 1613.2 The executive director shall manage and administer the agency in accordance with the licensing requirements and policies of the governing body. The executive director shall prepare the annual budget in conjunction with the Board, and keep the Board informed of the financial needs of the agency.
- 1613.3 The executive director shall have a doctoral degree or a master's degree plus three (3) years of experience in a social services agency or program, including one (1) year in administration.
- 1613.4 Section 1613.3 shall not apply to a person employed as executive director prior to the effective date of this chapter.
- 1613.5 If the executive director's degree is not in social work from a college or university accredited by the Council on Social Work Education, then a director/supervisor of social services shall be responsible for all caseload services.
- 1613.6. The executive director shall be responsible for case work decisions except where a director of social services has been assigned those duties. The duties shall include:
- (a) Ensuring that the child-placing agency complies with this chapter;
 - (b) Developing, implementing, and maintaining policies and procedures for the operation of the program;
 - (c) Representing the child-placing agency in the community and in cooperation with the governing body, interpreting the financial needs of the child-placing agency and the population it serves;
 - (d) Delegating responsibilities to staff;

- (e) Recruiting, supervising, evaluating, training, and terminating staff in accordance with established personnel policies; and
 - (f) Advising the governing body in carrying out its responsibilities and making recommendations for needed changes in policy and assisting in periodic evaluation of the agency's services.
- 1613.7 The director of social services shall supervise, evaluate, and monitor the work of the social services staff and assist in the formulation and implementation of the child-placing agency's policies and programs.
- 1613.8 The director of social services shall have a master's degree in social work from a college or university accredited by the Council on Social Work Education, plus three (3) years experience in providing casework services to children and their families including one (1) year as an administrator or supervisor of casework services.
- 1613.9 Office staff shall have the responsibility of bookkeeping and maintaining correspondence and personnel and client records.
- 1613.10 A child-placing agency shall employ a person to supervise program staff and casework activities. The supervisor shall have a master's degree in social work from a college or university accredited by the Council on Social Work Education, plus two (2) years of experience in providing casework services to families and children and shall be licensed as a social worker in the District of Columbia.
- 1613.11 A social worker shall provide services to children, birth parents, foster and adoptive families, and any other individual involved in a case. Social workers shall have a master's degree in social work from a college or university accredited by the Council on Social Work Education and shall be licensed as a social worker in the District of Columbia.
- 1613.12 Social services aides shall assist the social worker. A social services aide shall have a bachelor's degree in social work from a college or university accredited by the Council on Social Work Education or a bachelor's degree in a related field.

1614 CONTRACT PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

- 1614.1 A child-placing agency may employ a licensed social worker to provide social work service on a contractual basis..
- 1614.2 A social worker employed on a contractual basis shall not be considered a member of the child-placing agency's social work staff.
- 1614.3 A social worker employed on a contractual basis shall comply with the qualifications for social workers as setout in section 1613 of this chapter.

1615 VOLUNTEERS

- 1615.1 Each child-placing agency using volunteers to work directly with children on a regular basis shall:
- (a) Describe the duties for volunteer positions;
 - (b) Require a personal reference for each volunteer and a criminal records and child abuse clearance;
 - (c) Not use a volunteer to fill a staff position required by the child-placing agency's service program plan;
 - (d) Have a designated staff member to supervise and evaluate each volunteer;
 - (e) Provide orientation and training for the volunteers in the philosophy of the agency, the needs of the children in care, and the needs of their families;
 - (f) Maintain records documenting the hours and activities in which volunteers work for the agency; and
 - (g) Require that volunteers rendering direct services to children be free of communicable and contagious diseases based upon medical reports completed within the previous twelve (12) month period.

1616 STUDENT FIELD PLACEMENTS/INTERNSHIPS

- 1616.1 Each child-placing agency which accepts students as interns for field placements shall:
- (a) Develop a written plan describing their tasks and functions;
 - (b) Provide a copy of the plan to each student and his or her school;

- (c) Require personal references and a criminal records and child abuse clearance;
 - (d) Designate a staff member to supervise and evaluate the students; and
 - (e) Develop a plan for orientation and training of students in the philosophy of the agency, needs of the children in care, and of their families.
- 1616.2 A student shall not assume the responsibilities of any paid staff member.
- 1617 ADOPTIVE SERVICES
- 1617.1 Each child-placing agency shall have a written plan for recruitment of adoptive homes which shall include:
- (a) Methods of recruitment;
 - (b) Time-related goals for applicant recruitment;
 - (c) Staffing requirements; and
 - (d) Funding to implement the plan.
- 1617.2 A child-placing agency that serves minority children shall have a plan for actively recruiting homes of the same race or ethnic category as the children.
- 1617.3 Each child-placing agency shall provide the following information to prospective adoptive parents:
- (a) A statement of the agency's purpose, philosophy, and policies;
 - (b) Description of children available;
 - (c) The agency's eligibility criteria, procedures, and responsibilities;
 - (d) The approximate time the process will take;
 - (e) Fees for services;
 - (f) Fee refund policies and procedures; and
 - (g) Service termination policies and procedures.

- 1617.4 Each adoptive applicant shall submit an application in writing on a form provided by the child-placing agency.
- 1617.5 The applicant shall sign a statement acknowledging receipt of a copy of the child-placing agency's policies as outlined in section 1617.3 and such acknowledgement shall be maintained in the applicant's file.
- 1618 INTAKE PROCEDURES FOR ADOPTIVE SERVICES
- 1618.1 At the time of referral of a child or application for services, the child-placing agency shall assess the needs and strengths of the child's family.
- 1618.2 A written intake study shall include:
- (a) The identification of the specific needs of the child and family which warrant consideration of removal and adoptive placement of the child;
 - (b) The family's strengths;
 - (c) The involvement of the child's parents and significant others in his or her care;
 - (d) The available resources;
 - (e) The goals of the family;
 - (f) Available social and medical history of the child and each family member; and
 - (g) The child's legal status.
- 1618.3 Each child-placing agency shall keep a record of all requests for services, placements, and the reasons for acceptance and denial of services.
- 1618.4 Each child-placing agency shall provide referral assistance to persons requesting services not provided by the agency.
- 1619 CASE PLAN
- 1619.1 Each child-placing agency shall develop a written case plan on each child prior to placement. In cases of emergency placements, the assessment and case plan shall be initiated within one (1) week and completed within six (6) weeks of placement.

1619.2 Each case plan shall include the following:

- (a) Documentation of whether available social services to preserve and strengthen the family unit have been provided to the family and child and that all alternatives to placement and their consequences have been explored;
- (b) The reasons for the selection of the type of care and how it meets the child's and family's needs;
- (c) Projected length of time in care;
- (d) Preplacement activities with child and family;
- (e) Specific initial case goals for the child and family and steps to accomplish goals;
- (f) Specific time schedule to achieve the goals;
- (g) Designation of responsibility for carrying out steps with the child, parents, foster parents, adoptive parents, and the court (when involved), including frequency of contacts;
- (h) Visitation plans between the child, parents, and siblings, if appropriate;
- (i) Date for first review of progress on steps and goals;
- (j) Conditions under which the child shall be returned home or when steps shall be taken to seek termination of parental rights;
- (k) The names and addresses of the child's health and educational providers;
- (l) The child's grade level performance and school record;
- (m) Assurances that the child's placement in foster care takes into account proximity to the school in which the child is enrolled at the time of placement;
- (n) A record of the child's immunizations;

- (o) The child's known medical problems and medications; and
- (p) Any other relevant health and education information concerning the child determined to be appropriate.

- 1619.3 Each child-placing agency shall include the parents, other significant persons, and the child (when appropriate to age and understanding) in the development of placement and care plans.
- 1619.4 Before accepting a child for placement, each child-placing agency shall secure written authorization to place the child from the parents, guardians, or court.
- 1619.5 Before accepting a child for placement, each child-placing agency shall secure written authorization to provide medical care from the parents, guardians or court to provide medical care.
- 1619.6 Each child-placing agency shall assist the parent(s) in understanding the legal rights and obligations that they retain and those delegated to the agency by the court. The agency shall provide this information to the parents in writing and shall document this action in the case record.
- 1619.7 Each child-placing agency shall provide information on the legal rights and obligation of the parties in adoptions to parents in their own language if English is not easily understood.
- 1620 ADOPTIVE HOME STUDY SERVICES
- 1620.1 An adoptive home study shall be conducted prior to the placement of a child in a home.
- 1620.2 The child-placing agency shall complete an adoptive home study which is a counseling and assessment process with the primary goal of providing secure nurturing and permanent families for children. In conducting the adoptive home study, the agency shall:
- (a) Work together with the applicant to evaluate the applicant's ability and readiness for adoptive parenthood;
 - (b) Make appropriate recommendations regarding the type of child to be placed with the family;
 - (c) Build supportive relationships and activities that will ensure the success of the placement;

- (d) Provide educational opportunities for the applicant regarding the ongoing adoption process and those issues unique to the type of adoption being considered; and
 - (e) Provide a written report integrating all of the information and culminating in an agency recommendation.
- 1620.3 Each child-placing agency shall provide home study services to families living in the District of Columbia and adjacent jurisdictions which render adoptive services under reciprocal agreements. Each adoptive home study service provided shall be documented in a written report.
- 1620.4 Each adoptive home study report shall include information obtained in at least three (3) face-to-face interviews with each adoptive parent. The home study process shall include:
- (a) One (1) face-to-face interview with the adoptive couple and one (1) face-to-face individual interview with each applicant;
 - (b) One (1) interview with the prospective adoptors shall take place in the home of the adoptive family; and
 - (c) One (1) face-to-face contact with each member of the potential adoptive family household.
- 1620.5 Each home study report shall include the following information on the adoptive applicants:
- (a) Dates and types of agency contacts with adoptive applicants and family;
 - (b) Applicant's motivation for adoption;
 - (c) Verification of date and place of birth of the applicants;
 - (d) Readiness of the applicants to parent a child not born to with them;
 - (e) Identification of each person living in the home;
 - (f) Description of each member of the applicant's immediate family;
 - (g) The attitudes and feelings of the family and significant others involved with the family toward adoptive children;

- (h) Attitudes of the applicants toward birth parents and the reasons the children are in need of adoption;
- (i) Emotional stability and maturity of an applicant, including the capacity to give and receive affection;
- (j) Physical description and assessment of the personality of the applicants;
- (k) Assessment of the ability to cope with problems, stress, crisis, and losses including availability of formal and informal support system;
- (l) Verification of any present marriage and, if applicable, information on divorces or deaths of former spouses, and an assessment of the compatibility and marital satisfaction and stability of the couple in relation to the length of their marriage;
- (m) Ability to provide for the child's physical and emotional needs;
- (n) Verification of the date and place of birth/adoption of all children in the home of the applicant;
- (o) Adjustment of children in the home, if applicable;
- (p) The applicant's attitude toward discipline and child-rearing;
- (q) Clearance with the child abuse and neglect registry and record of criminal convictions, if any;
- (r) A summary of the medical report for each member of the adoptive family living in the household, within six (6) months of the study, which verifies that each person has no communicable disease, specific illness, or disabilities which would interfere with the family's ability to parent a child;
- (s) Level of education completed;
- (t) The applicant's financial status including current job and income, other sources of income, savings, assets, and liabilities;

- (u) A minimum of three (3) personal and community character references;
- (v) The interest, hobbies, and use of leisure time for each applicant;
- (w) Religious orientation, if any;
- (x) Description of the home including the adequacy of space and privacy in relation to parent and age and sex of children; and
- (y) Worker's assessment of the plan for child care if parents work.

- 1620.6 After completion of the home study, the child-placing agency shall make a recommendation on the adoption which shall be included in the adoptive home study report. If the agency recommends approval of the application, the report shall describe the children which shall include the age, sex, number, and their special needs. If the agency recommends denial of the application, it shall state the reasons for denial.
- 1620.7 If a placement has not been made and twelve (12) months have elapsed since the adoptive home study, a prospective adoptive home shall be re-evaluated.
- 1620.8 In those cases where the initial home study was performed by the same agency as that performing the re-evaluation, the child-placing agency shall do the following:
- (a) Visit the home of the prospective adoptive parent(s);
 - (b) Have a face-to-face interview with all household members;
 - (c) Update the medical reports on all members of the household; and
 - (d) Make an evaluation of any changes in the information contained in the initial home study.
- 1620.9 In those cases where the initial home study is performed by a different agency, the second child-placing agency shall do the following:
- (a) Have two (2) visits with the prospective adoptive parents, one (1) of which should be in the home;

- (b) Have a face-to-face interview with all household members;
- (c) Update the medical reports on all members of the household; and
- (d) Make an evaluation of any changes in the information contained in the initial home study.

1620.10 After an adoptive placement has been made and the family seeks an additional placement, a home study update shall be performed in accordance with section 1620.

1621 NOTIFICATION REGARDING APPLICATION

1621.1 Each child-placing agency shall notify each applicant in writing within thirty (30) days of completion of the home study of the acceptance or denial of his or her application to be an adoptive parent.

1621.2 When an application is denied, the child-placing agency shall inform the applicant of the reasons why a child cannot be placed in his or her home during a face-to-face interview. The child-placing agency shall offer counseling services to the applicant(s) to assist him or her in adjusting to the denial.

1622 SERVICES TO ADOPTIVE PARENTS

1622.1 Each child-placing agency shall provide services to adoptive applicants to assist them in making an informed decision about adoption.

1622.2 Each child-placing agency shall provide an opportunity for the applicants to participate in the adoptive study and the evaluation of his or her potential for meeting the needs of the children available for adoption.

1622.3 Each child-placing agency shall discuss children available for adoption with the adopting family.

1622.4 Each child-placing agency shall prepare the adoptive family for the placement of a particular child. Preparation shall include:

- (a) Information about the needs, characteristics, and expectations of the child, of the child's family, and of the adoptive family;
- (b) Review of medical histories of the child and of the child's family; and
- (c) A visit with the child prior to placement.

- 1622.5 A child-placing agency employee shall visit the adoptive family at least three (3) times after the placement of a child prior to final decree. Observations made during the visits shall be used in making recommendations for the finalization of the adoption.
- 1622.6 The child-placing agency shall make services available to the adoptive parents, the birth parents, and the adoptee after the finalization of the adoption.
- 1623 PRE-PLACEMENT RESPONSIBILITIES OF CHILD-PLACING AGENCIES
- 1623.1 Prior to placement of a child for adoption, the child-placing agency shall establish through documentary evidence that the child meets one (1) of the following criteria:
- (a) The child is legally free for adoption in accordance with the laws of the District of Columbia; or
 - (b) The child is legally able to enter the District of Columbia for adoption in accordance with the laws of the District of Columbia.
- 1623.2 If a family identifies a child for adoption outside of the District of Columbia, the family shall notify a child-placing agency located in the District of Columbia of the identification of the child and of all available information regarding the child. The child-placing agency shall evaluate the information provided on the child and the background of the prospective parents to determine the appropriateness of the placement.
- 1623.3 After a review of the information provided to the agency, the child-placing agency shall notify the prospective parents of its assessment of the appropriateness of the placement.
- 1623.4 If the child is identified by the family in another country, the family shall contact the child-placing agency to provide all information available about the child.
- 1623.5 The child-placing agency shall notify the family and the United States Immigration and Naturalization Service of its agreement or disagreement with a proposed placement of a child identified in another country.
- 1623.6 The child-placing agency shall ensure that prior to the placement of the child, the adoptive parents sign a notarized statement of financial responsibility for the expenses for replacement of the child in the event a disruption should occur prior to adoption in the local jurisdiction. The statement shall be placed by the agency in the family's file.

- 1623.7 The local child-placing agency shall notify the Department of Human Services of the following:
- (a) The date of placement;
 - (b) The legal status of the child; and
 - (c) That the statement of financial responsibility has been completed and placed in the agency's family file.
- 1623.8 Each child-placing agency shall maintain all adoptive placement agreements in the family records on the family's acceptance of a child identified for adoption outside the District of Columbia.
- 1623.9 The child-placing agency shall be notified in all interstate adoptions of the following:
- (a) The date of the placement; and
 - (b) The legal status of the child.
- 1624 POST-PLACEMENT RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE CHILD-PLACING AGENCY
- 1624.1 Each child-placing agency shall provide post-placement services for at least six (6) months from the date of the adoptive placement of a child.
- 1624.2 Each child-placing agency shall conduct at least three (3) interviews during the six (6) month period with the child and the parent(s), and shall make at least one (1) visit to the home.
- 1624.3 If a final decree of adoption has not been granted within six (6) months of placement, the child-placing agency shall continue to provide services until the final decree is granted.
- 1624.4 The child-placing agency shall retain in its records all post-placement reports until finalization of the adoption. A copy of the adoption decree shall be placed in the adoptive parent's record.
- 1625 ADOPTION RECORDS
- 1625.1 Each child-placing agency shall maintain adoptive family records which shall contain the following:
- (a) The application with photograph;
 - (b) The home study;

- (c) Medical records of each family member and financial verifications;
- (d) Documentation of the agency's contacts with at least three (3) references;
- (e) Criminal and child abuse records and reports of family members;
- (f) Summary narrative of the pre-placement and post-placement contacts with the adoptive family and the adopted child;
- (g) Verification of each marriage and divorce of the applicants;
- (h) The adoptive placement agreement;
- (i) Each legal document pertaining to adoption;
- (j) A statement signed by the applicant stating that he or she has reviewed agency policies and procedures;
- (k) All correspondence related to the adoption;
- (l) Identifying information on each child placed in the home;
- (m) A physician's report on the health of the child prior to finalization, and
- (n) A report of the supervisory period to include:
 - (1) Significant changes in family circumstances since the initial home study such as employment, place of residence, birth, death, and illness;
 - (2) The child's emotional adjustment and the family's response;
 - (3) Acceptance of placement by the extended family and community;
 - (4) The health, physical, and intellectual development of the child;
 - (5) Observations of the child placed regarding daily activities such as sleeping, eating, playing, school, and day care;

- (6) Cultural adaptation of the child including language adaptation and habits; and
- (7) Any information that completely describes the child's overall adjustment as well as a summary and recommendations which may include the need for outside resources.

1625.2 Each child-placing agency shall maintain individual records for each child placed in an adoptive home which contain:

- (a) Identifying information, including the name, birthdate, place of birth, sex, race, height, weight, hair color, eye color, identifying remarks, social security number, and photographs;
- (b) Copies of the legal documents of importance to the child, such as birth certificate and any court disposition;
- (c) Social, physical and mental history of the child's biological family, if available;
- (d) Records of immunizations and dental care; medical reports and physical and mental history of the child, as required;
- (e) A summary which reflects the dates of contact, initial assessment, case plan, and content of the worker's visits;
- (f) Information on the circumstances which led to the decision to place the child, the agency's involvement with the parent(s), including services offered, provided, or rejected;
- (g) Educational records;
- (h) Summary of the case reviews which reflect contacts with each family member in relation to the case plan as well as the achievements or changes in the goals;
- (i) Summary of any administrative or outside service reviews on the progress of each child toward the goal determination;
- (j) Summary of the child's contacts with family members which reflect the quality of the relationships as well as how the child is coping with them; and
- (k) History of care including names of care-givers, addresses, and dates of care.

- 1625.3 Each child-placing agency shall ensure that upon discharge a child's record contains the following:
- (a) A discharge summary showing services provided during care, the growth and accomplishments, assessed needs to be met, and recommended services to meet these goals;
 - (b) Dates of and reason for discharge, and the name, address, telephone number, and relationship of the person or agency to whom the child is discharged; and
 - (c) Aftercare plans which specify the responsibility for follow-through on the care of the child.
- 1626 FINALIZATION OF ADOPTION
- 1626.1 Except in a case of an international adoption, the adoptive family shall file for adoption of a child six (6) months following the placement or as soon thereafter as possible.
- 1626.2 The child-placing agency shall provide a report to the court summarizing the supervisory period and making a recommendation on the petition for adoption.
- 1626.3 The family shall provide a copy of the final decree to the child-placing agency.
- 1626.4 In cases where two (2) child-placing agencies participated in the adoptive placement, the child-placing agency responsible for the finalization of the adoption in court shall forward a copy of the decree to the other participating child-placing agency.
- 1627 POST-ADOPTIVE SERVICES
- 1627.1 Post-adoptive services may be offered to the family by the child-placing agency or through a referral to community resources.
- 1628 SOCIAL SERVICES RELATED TO CHILD-PLACING
- 1628.1 The child-placing agency shall give the birth parents an opportunity to discuss the options available to them regarding the placement of the child.
- 1628.2 When it is considered to be in the best interest of the child, the child-placing agency shall provide social services to the birth family and make referrals to other community resources to help maintain the family unit.

- 1628.3 The birth parents shall be given information concerning the legal and other ramifications of adoption and the legal implications of the decision.
- 1628.4 Each child-placing agency shall provide counselling and casework services during the decision-making process for the prospective adoptive parent.
- 1628.5 Each child-placing agency shall provide older children with counselling and casework services during all phases of the adoption process.
- 1628.6 Prior to accepting a child for any placement, a child-placing agency shall obtain written consent to place the child from the legally responsible person or entity which may be the birth parent, guardian, or court.
- 1628.7 Prior to accepting a child for placement, a child-placing agency shall obtain written consent to provide routine or emergency medical care from the birth parent), legal guardian, or court.
- 1628.8 After accepting a child for placement from another child-placing agency, a child-placing agency shall establish an agreement which will set out the child-placing agency responsible for developing a written statement of the role and responsibilities of each child-placing agency in working with the child, birth family, foster family, and adoptive family.
- 1628.9 Each child-placing agency shall provide counselling and casework services to the birth parent and his or her family during all phases of the adoption process.
- 1628.10 The child-placing agency shall not encourage the parent or parents of the child to surrender the child by coercion or promise of financial aid or other considerations, nor shall the parent's acceptance for casework service be contingent upon any agreement to surrender the child.
- 1628.11 At the time of relinquishment of a child, the birth parent shall sign a notarized statement setting out any financial or in-kind compensation promised or received for surrendering the child.
- 1628.12 If the child-placing agency has offered services to a birth parent who has indicated a desire to place a child for adoption and the child is born with or develops a problem that might make placement difficult, the agency may refuse to accept legal custody of the child.

- 1628.13 If the child-placing agency refuses to accept legal custody of the child, the agency shall offer services to the child and birth parents to make arrangements consistent with the parents' wishes and the child's best interest.
- 1628.14 Each child-placing agency shall maintain a written record of the casework services provided to each birth parent and child. The parents' and children's records may be combined or maintained separately. If maintained separately, the records shall be cross referenced. The records shall include the following:

(a) Birth parents record shall include the following:

- (1) Full name of birth parents;
- (2) Address;
- (3) Telephone number;
- (4) Race;
- (5) Sex;
- (6) Date and place of birth;
- (7) Nationality;
- (8) Health and multi-generational history;
- (9) Full name of other birth children;
- (10) Marital status;
- (11) Education;
- (12) Physical description;
- (13) Full names of birth parent's siblings and significant others;
- (14) Social security number, if available;
- (15) Occupation;
- (16) Religion;
- (17) Documents pertaining to child's legal status which may include a foster care commitment order, relinquishment or judicial termination of parental rights (TPR); and

- (18) Summary of the family history and an assessment of circumstances leading to the placement of the child and current progress reports; and
- (b) The child's record which shall include the following:
 - (1) Full name;
 - (2) Address and telephone number of birth parents;
 - (3) Race;
 - (3) Sex;
 - (4) Date and place of birth;
 - (5) Nationality;
 - (6) Health including medical history of past generations;
 - (7) Physician's report, illnesses, immunization reports, and dental records;
 - (8) Full names of children, siblings, grandparents and significant others of birth parents;
 - (9) Social security number, if available;
 - (10) Birth history;
 - (11) Developmental history;
 - (12) Birth certificate number;
 - (13) Daily scheduled activities;
 - (14) School records;
 - (15) Dates of placement and address and names of adoptive foster parents;
 - (16) Documents pertaining to the child's legal status; and
 - (17) Summary of family history and an assessment of circumstances leading to the case plan for the child and maintain progress reports.

1628.15 Each child-placing agency shall maintain current information on the parties involved in an adoption until the time of final adoption.

1629 NOTICE OF BIRTH PARENTS

1629.1 When one or more individuals have been named as the possible birth father, the child-placing agency shall notify all named individuals of the plan for adoption by certified or registered mail return receipt requested.

1629.2 The child-placing agency shall report to the court a birth parent's failure to respond to a notice of a plan for adoption, if the birth parent fails to respond within thirty (30) days of receipt of notification.

1630 SEVERANCE OF PARENTAL RIGHTS

1630.1 Each child-placing agency shall comply with the procedures set forth in D. C. Code, section 32 -1007, the statutory provision on voluntary relinquishment.

1630.2 When the birth parent does not speak English, or has impaired communication skills, a translator or interpreter shall be present prior to and during the period the document is being signed. When the birth mother cannot read, she may be accompanied by someone who can read the document for her.

1630.3 When a birth parent consents to relinquishment of parental rights, the child-placing agency shall accept the relinquishment and make efforts to inform the other birth parent of the relinquishment. The notice to the non-participating birth parent of the consent to relinquishment shall be sent to him or her at the last known address and documented in the record.

1631 PATERNITY AFFIDAVITS

1631.1 The child-placing agency shall obtain an affidavit which sets out the identity of the father from the birth mother when the identity of the birth father is not reasonably ascertainable and there is no information to dispute the affidavit.

1631.2 The child-placing agency shall obtain an affidavit which sets out the identity of the father from the birth mother if a named birth father's whereabouts are unknown.

1632 EFFORTS TO LOCATE PARENT

1632.1 If one or both birth parents cannot be located, the child-placing agency responsible for preparing the investigative report and recommendations for a proposed adoption shall make efforts to locate the missing natural parent. The efforts shall be documented in the record.

- 1632.2 The child-placing agency shall document that the following resources have been used in the efforts to locate the missing parent(s) and the results of their use:
- (a) Vital Statistics Branch of the Office of Policy and Planning of the Department of Human Services for birth, marriage and death records;
 - (b) DHS Child Support Locator;
 - (c) Military Locator;
 - (d) Court criminal records;
 - (e) Metropolitan area telephone books;
 - (f) Metropolitan area hospital records (if they can be released);
 - (g) Public assistance, Medicaid, motor vehicle, and police records (if they can be released); and
 - (h) Family and friends of both birth parents (if appropriate).
- 1632.3 If a birth parent does not name the other birth parent, the child-placing agency or petitioner shall make a good faith effort to obtain the information from the known parent. If the name of the unknown parent is not given, and an affidavit is required by the court, the child-placing agency shall file an affidavit outlining the known parent's reason for refusing to give the information.
- 1632.4 If the birth mother names two or more possible fathers, the child-placing agency shall attempt to locate all of the alleged fathers. Paternity may be judicially determined.
- 1633 PLACEMENT CONSIDERATION FOR ADOPTION
- 1633.1 The child-placing agency shall make a written assessment of the needs and strengths of the child prior to selection of an adoptive family.
- 1633.2 When adoption is the placement of choice for a child and all adoptive requirements have been met, the child-placing agency shall ensure that the child is placed expeditiously in a permanent home.
- 1633.3 The child-placing agency shall place siblings together whenever possible.

- 1633.4 In selecting an adoptive family, the agency shall make maximum efforts to place the child in a home of persons of the same race to help preserve the racial heritage. This effort shall not jeopardize the child's right to permanent care.
- 1633.5 In placing a child for adoption, the child-placing agency shall take into consideration a child's religious heritage.
- 1633.6 The child-placing agency shall prepare each child for the separation from his family prior to the actual placement.
- 1633.7 The child-placing agency shall ensure that permanent placement is the best plan, that the child is prepared for placement, and that the adoptive family is able to meet the child's needs.
- 1633.8 Based upon the best interest of the child, the child-placing agency shall consider the child's needs, particularly for older children, to maintain contact with the birth family or significant others.
- 1634 REFERRALS TO ADOPTION RESOURCE EXCHANGE
- 1634.1 If an adoptive family is not immediately available for a child or a child for a family, the child-placing agency shall make referrals of the child or family to other adoption agencies, photograph listing services, and state, religious, or national adoption resource exchanges.
- 1635 INTERSTATE PLACEMENT
- 1635.1 A child-placing agency in the District of Columbia which is cooperating with agencies or individuals in other states for foster or adoptive placement of a child in the District or in another jurisdiction shall comply with the interstate placement requirements of the states involved during all phases of the placement process.
- 1636 INTERNATIONAL ADOPTION PLACEMENTS
- 1636.1 The child-placing agency shall give each applicant a written statement which shall include the following:
- (a) A statement of the agency's purpose, philosophy, and policies;
 - (b) The agency's eligibility criteria;
 - (c) The availability of children;
 - (d) Agency procedures and responsibilities;

- (e) Timing;
 - (f) Fees for services;
 - (g) Refund policies and procedures; and
 - (h) Services termination policies and procedures.
- 1636.2 The child-placing agency shall ensure that each applicant applies for services in writing on an application form furnished by the agency.
- 1636.3 Each applicant shall sign a statement acknowledging that he or she received a copy of the agency's policies as required in section 1636.1. This statement shall be kept in the applicant's records.
- 1636.4 The child-placing agency shall secure written consent to obtain the information needed to complete the home study process from each applicant.
- 1636.5 Each child-placing agency shall provide home study services to families who are residents of the District of Columbia and adjacent jurisdictions under a reciprocity agreement. Home study services shall include the following:
- (a) Information on the how to comply with the United States Immigration and Naturalization's requirements for international adoptions;
 - (b) Consultations with the family to acquaint them with the current international adoption situation, exploration of the adoptive parents' feelings about adopting a child of a different race or national origin, and the adoptive parents' capacity to accept limited medical and social background information about the child and the implications thereof; and
 - (c) Documentation of the home study process in a written report.
- 1637 MAINTENANCE OF RECORDS
- 1637.1 Each child-placing agency shall have a written policy to protect the confidentiality of personnel and client records.
- 1637.2 The Board of any child-placing agency may by appropriate vote authorize the disclosure of non-identifying information to any accredited institution of higher learning, federal or District of Columbia agency, or any foundation or research institution as may be validly engaged in studies for the promotion of scientific knowledge. The institution or agency shall submit to the child-placing agency a request for information which shall include:

- (a) The purpose for which the information is sought;
 - (b) A plan of how the confidentiality of the information will be protected;
 - (c) The persons in the organization who will have access to the information; and
 - (d) A guarantee that the information will not be disclosed to another person or agency unless the organization is expressly authorized to make the disclosure by the Board of the child-placing agency.
- 1637.3 The Board may, in its discretion, attach additional limitations on the disclosure of information to an agency or institution.
- 1637.4 All records shall be kept in metal file cabinets protected from fire, theft, and unauthorized access.
- 1637.5 Child-placing agencies that cease placing children shall make arrangements to protect and store the records. Record storage may be arranged with the Department of Human Services or another licensed child-placing agency.
- 1637.6 All adoption and foster care services records shall be retained permanently.
- 1637.7 If a child has been reunited with his or her biological family prior to reaching majority, the case records shall be retained until one year after the child has reached the age of twenty-one (21). After the child reaches the age of twenty-one (21), the following shall be maintained:
- (a) Medical records;
 - (b) Names and addresses of foster parents;
 - (c) Date of placements; and
 - (d) Legal documents.
- 1637.8 Personnel and financial records maintained by the child-placing agency shall be maintained for at least seven (7) years.
- 1638 FOSTER CARE
- 1638.1 The child-placing agency shall comply with the District of Columbia laws and regulations in its selection of foster family homes in the District of Columbia.

- 1638.2 Each child-placing agency shall use only licensed foster homes for the placement of children.
- 1638.3 Each child-placing agency shall comply with the laws governing placement of each jurisdiction involved in the placement of a child, and the rules and regulations governing foster care of each state in which a child is placed.
- 1639 FOSTER HOME STUDY
- 1639.1 A foster home study shall be conducted prior to the placement of a child in a home.
- 1639.2 The child-placing agency shall complete a foster home study which is a counseling and assessment process with the primary goal of providing secure nurturing and permanent families for children. The foster home study shall enable the agency to:
- (a) Work together with the applicant to evaluate the applicant's ability and readiness for foster parenthood;
 - (b) Make appropriate recommendations regarding the type of child to be placed with the family;
 - (c) Build supportive relationships and activities that will ensure the success of the placement;
 - (d) Provide educational opportunities for the applicant regarding the ongoing foster care and those issues unique to the type of children being considered for foster care; and
 - (e) Provide a written report integrating all of the information and culminating in an agency recommendation.
- 1639.3 The foster home study report shall include information obtained in a minimum of three (3) face-to-face interviews with each foster parent. The home study process shall include:
- (a) One joint face-to-face interview with the couple and at least one face-to-face individual interview with each applicant;
 - (b) One interview in the home of the foster family; and
 - (c) One ~~face-to-face~~ contact with each member of the potential foster family household.

1639.4 Each foster home study report shall include the following information from applicant(s):

- (a) Name, address, home telephone number, and emergency telephone number;
- (b) Dates and types of contacts with applicants and family members;
- (c) Date and place of birth of the applicants;
- (d) Identification of the parents and siblings of the applicants;
- (e) A summary of the applicants' childhood and adolescent years to include family life and values; types of discipline received and relationships other than the family;
- (f) Applicants' motivations for providing foster care;
- (g) Identification of each applicant's child and each other person in the home;
- (h) The attitudes and feelings of the family and significant others involved with the family toward foster children;
- (i) Readiness of the applicants to parent children not born to them;
- (j) Attitudes of the applicants toward the birth parent and their understanding of reasons the child is in need of foster care services;
- (k) Emotional stability and maturity of applicant(s);
- (l) Physical description and personality of the applicants;
- (m) Applicant's ability to cope with problems, stress, frustrations, crisis, and losses including availability of formal and informal support system;
- (n) Applicants' capacity to give and receive affection;
- (o) Date of present marriage and, if applicable, date of divorce, as well as a description of the compatibility, marital satisfaction, and stability of the couple in relation to the length of their marriage, if applicable.

- (p) Ability to provide for the child's physical and emotional needs;
- (q) Experience with parenting of children;
- (r) Adjustment of the child in the home, if applicable;
- (s) The attitude toward discipline and child-rearing;
- (t) Clearance with the child abuse and neglect registry and record of criminal convictions, if any;
- (u) A summary of reports from physical examination of each person in the household within six (6) months of the study which verifies that persons in the household do not have communicable diseases, any specific illness, or disabilities which would interfere with the family's ability to parent a child;
- (v) Level of education completed by the applicant;
- (w) The applicants' economic situation including current sources of income, assets, and liabilities;
- (x) A minimum of three (3) personal and community character references;
- (y) The interest, hobbies, and use of leisure time for each applicant;
- (z) Religious orientation, if any;
- (aa) Description of the home and neighborhood (sleeping accommodations, recreational or study areas, storage space, housekeeping, health, and safety standards, if applicable and available resources in the community);
- (bb) Plan for substitute child care if parent is absent from home for work or other reasons; and
- (cc) Child-placing worker's assessment of the prospective foster family.

1639.5

After completion of the home study, the child-placing agency shall make a recommendation regarding the foster care placement in the written home study report.

- 1639.6 If the child-placing agency recommends approval of an application for foster care, the report shall identify the type of child who would be best served by the family which includes the race, sex, age, special needs, and number of children, and the applicant's ability to work with the child-placing agency. If the recommendation is to deny the application, it shall state the reason(s) for denial.
- 1640 NOTIFICATION REGARDING APPLICATION
- 1640.1 The agency shall notify each applicant of its decision to accept or deny his or her application to be a foster parent within thirty (30) days of its receipt.
- 1640.2 A foster home shall be re-evaluated two (2) years after the date of the initial approval and every two (2) years thereafter.
- 1640.3 If the initial foster home study was performed by the same child-placing agency, the foster home re-evaluation shall include:
- (a) One visit to the home;
 - (b) ~~Face-to-face~~ interviews with each member of the household;
 - (c) Updated medical reports on all members of the household; and
 - (d) Any changes from the initial foster home study.
- 1640.4 If the initial foster home study was performed by a different child-placing agency, the child placing agency's re-evaluation shall include the following:
- (a) Two visits with the foster parent(s), one of which shall be in the home;
 - (b) ~~Face-to-face~~ interviews with each member of the household;
 - (c) Updated medical reports on the members of the household; and
 - (d) Any changes in the family's data from the initial home study.
- 1641 FOSTER PARENT TRAINING
- 1641.1 The child-placing agency shall provide orientation and pre-service training to the foster care system to prospective foster parents.

- 1641.2 The child-placing agency shall provide training annually to foster parents to improve their parenting skills.
- 1642 PLACEMENT CONSIDERATIONS FOR FOSTER CARE
- 1642.1 The first priority of the foster care system shall be to maintain a child in his or her home or that of a relative.
- 1642.2 The goals of the foster care system shall be to protect the interest of children at all times which may require out of home placement for children.
- 1642.3 Foster family placement shall be preferred to that of institutional placement for children.
- 1642.4 Foster care services shall be provided only if it is determined that temporary placement is the best plan and that the child is prepared for placement and is placed in a family which is able to meet the child's needs.
- 1642.5 The child-placing agency shall encourage a close and continuing relationship with the birth family and significant others.
- 1642.6 The birth parents shall be provided the opportunity to participate in the initial and periodic service plan for the child with specific responsibilities to prepare for the child's return to the home or any other permanent placement.
- 1642.7 Except in a case of an emergency placement, each child shall be prepared for the separation from his or her family prior to the actual placement.
- 1642.8 The child-placing agency shall place siblings together whenever possible and when it is in the siblings' best interest to do so.
- 1642.9 The child-placing agency shall take into consideration a child's religious heritage in the foster care placements.
- 1642.10 A written assessment of the needs and strengths of the child and birth family shall be made prior to foster care placement.
- 1642.11 The child-placing agency shall protect the health and safety of children in foster care and shall enhance the psychosocial and behavioral adjustment of each child.
- 1642.12 The child-placing agency shall make social services assessments to determine that acceptance of the child for foster care is appropriate and that placement of the child is made in accordance with his or her needs. The assessment shall include the following information:

- (a) The social history and present circumstances of the child's family;
- (b) The medical and developmental history, personal relationships and attitudes existing between the child and his or her parents, religious affiliations of the child and parents, and school progress; and
- (c) The social history and present circumstances of the child's family.

1643 THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE CHILD-PLACING AGENCY IN FOSTER CARE PLACEMENTS

- 1643.1 Each child-placing agency's authority to place a child in foster care shall be documented in the organization's policies and procedures.
- 1643.2 After a child is placed in foster care, each child-placing agency shall provide casework services to the child, his birth family, and the foster parents, as appropriate.
- 1643.3 Each child-placing agency shall ensure that the foster care services plan includes:
 - (a) An estimation of the length of time the child is expected to be in foster care; and
 - (b) A plan for permanency placement for the child which shall include any modifications needed in that plan.

1644 SUPERVISION OF CHILDREN IN FOSTER HOMES

- 1644.1 Each child-placing agency shall make efforts to maintain contact between the child and his or her family during the period of foster care and assist the family in preparing for the child's return to the home unless it has been determined that adoption of the child by other than his or her own relatives is in his or her best interest or that the continued relationship with his or her own family is injurious to his or her emotional and social development.
- 1644.2 The frequency of the child-placing agency's visits with child(ren) in foster homes shall be based upon the needs of the child and the type of foster home in which he or she is placed, but shall not be less frequent than once every three (3) months.
- 1644.3 The child-placing agency shall be responsible for protecting the health and safety of a child in its care and shall:

- (a) Designate a licensed physician to advise the agency concerning standards of medical care; and
- (b) Obtain age appropriate health supervision for child(ren) in care to include at least annual medical and dental examinations. This supervision shall include emergency and routine medical care and correction of remedial medical problems of each child.

1645 DEFINITIONS

1645.1 When used in this chapter the following terms and phrases shall have the meaning ascribed below:

Adoptee - the person whose legal status is changed once a decree of adoption has been entered. Adoption - a social and legal process designed to establish a legal parent child relationship giving a child the same rights and benefits of one who is born to the adoptive parents.

Adoptive family - a household which has been approved by a child-placing agency to accept a child for adoption, which may be awaiting placement of a child or may have a child in the home. *

Adoptive parent - a single or married person with whom a child has been placed for adoption or who has adopted a child.

Adoptive placement - arranging for the care of a child who is in the custody of a child-placing agency in an approved home for the purpose of adoption.

Agency assisted adoption - an adoption in which a child-placing agency provides a home study and post-placement supervision services and is responsible for facilitating the linkage with persons, institutions, or agencies located either in a foreign country or in the United States. The adoptive parent(s) may have either guardianship or final foreign decree of adoption of the child when the child arrives in the United States.

Agency placement adoption - an adoption in which a child-placing agency identifies and arranges placement for a foreign child. The child-placing agency provides home study and post-placement supervision services, and is responsible for facilitating the linkage with child-placing institutions or agencies located either in a foreign country or in the United States. The childplacing agency holds guardianship of the child when he or she arrives in the United States and consents to the adoption.

Birth parent - a biological parent of a child.

Child - any individual under 16 years of age.

Child-placement service - social work and other professional services provided by the public agency or licensed child-placing agency for birth parents, children, adoptive parent(s), and foster parent(s) in those cases where children may be in need of substitute or permanent care.

Child-placing agency - any person, firm, corporation, association, or public agency that receives or accepts child(ren) under 16 years of age and places or offers to place such child for temporary or permanent care in a family home other than that of a relative within the third degree.

Foster care - the provision of substitute care and supervision for a child entrusted to a public agency or a licensed child-placing agency, or for whom the public agency or a licensed child-placing agency has accepted supervision, in a temporary living situation until the child can return to his or her family or be placed in an adoptive home or reach the age of majority.

Foster care placement - placement of a child in the custody of a child-placing agency into a suitable foster home.

Foster home - a household of one or more persons that provides continuing full-time care for one to four foster children, ages 0 through 20 years, living apart from their parents, guardian(s), or relatives.

Foster parent - an individual approved by the child-placing agency who provides supervision and care on a 24-hour basis for a child who must receive care out of his own home.

International adoption - a process by which a married couple or single individual of one country adopts a child from another country, thereby establishing a legal and social relationship of parent and child.

Petition - petition for adoption filed with the Court.

Post-adoptive services - those services provided to meet the ongoing needs of the family once the adoption has been finalized both in the United States and in the child's country of origin in the case of inter-country adoption.

Post-placement services - those services in which the child-placing agency supervises, monitors, and evaluates the child and family from the time of placement for a period of at least six (6) months or until the finalization of the adoption.

Reciprocity agreement - a child-placing agreement between the Mayor of the District of Columbia and the Maryland Department of Human Resources entered into April 7, 1986.

Record - the individual file(s) kept by an agency concerning a child who has been accepted for care or adoptive placement, the child's family, adoptive applicant or family, foster family, and agency employees.

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Relinquishment - the legal document voluntarily executed by the natural parent(s) severing all of their parental rights and responsibilities to their child and transferring these rights and responsibilities to a child-placing agency for the purposes of placing the child in an adoptive home and consenting to adoption.

Significant others - any person of particular importance in the life of the client.

Social services agency - an agency or program in which the purpose is to promote social welfare, e. g., a public welfare department, a family service agency. Educational facilities, legal services facilities, correctional institutions, health and medical facilities are not considered to be social service agencies; however, persons employed in social service programs operated by those facilities may meet the specified qualifications.

Termination of parental rights - a court order relieving natural parents of all rights, responsibilities, and relationship with a child.

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§ 16-301 PARTICULAR ACTIONS, PROCEEDINGS AND MATTERS

CHAPTER 3. ADOPTION.

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§ 16-301. Jurisdiction; rules.

(a) Subject to subsection (b) of this section, the Superior Court of the District of Columbia has jurisdiction to hear and determine petitions and decrees of adoption of any adult or child with authority to make such rules, not inconsistent with this chapter, as shall bring fully before the court for consideration the interests of the prospective adoptee, the natural parents, the petitioner, and any other properly interested party.

(b) Jurisdiction shall be conferred when any of the following circumstances exist:

- (1) petitioner is a legal resident of the District of Columbia;
- (2) petitioner has actually resided in the District for at least one year next preceding the filing of the petition; or
- (3) the child to be adopted is in the legal care, custody, or control of the Mayor or a child-placing agency licensed under the laws of the District. (Dec. 23, 1963, 77 Stat. 537, Pub. L. 88-241, § 1; July 29, 1970, 84 Stat. 555, Pub. L. 91-358, title I, § 145(a)(1); 1973 Ed., § 16-301; Apr. 30, 1988, D.C. Law 7-104, § 4(a), 35 DCR 147.)

§ 16-302. Persons who may adopt.

Any person may petition the court for a decree of adoption. A petition may not be considered by the court unless petitioner's spouse, if he has one, joins in the petition, except that if either the husband or wife is a natural parent of the prospective adoptee, the natural parent need not join in the petition with the adopting parent, but need only give his or her consent to the adoption. If the marital status of the petitioner changes after the time of filing the petition and before the time the decree of adoption is final, the petition must be amended accordingly. (Dec. 23, 1963, 77 Stat. 537, Pub. L. 88-241, § 1; 1973 Ed., § 16-302.)

§ 16-303. Persons adopted.

A person, whether a minor or an adult, may be adopted. (Dec. 23, 1963, 77 Stat. 537, Pub. L. 88-241, § 1; 1973 Ed., § 16-303.)

§ 16-304. Consent.

(a) A petition for adoption may not be granted by the court unless there is filed with the petition a written statement of consent, as provided by this section, signed and acknowledged before an officer authorized by law to take acknowledgments, before a representative of a licensed child-placing agency, or before the Mayor of the District, or unless a relinquishment of parental rights with respect to the prospective adoptee has been recorded and filed as provided by section 32-786 [32-1007].

(b) Consent to a proposed adoption of a person under eighteen years of age is necessary:

(1) from the prospective adoptee, if he is fourteen years of age or over; and also,

(2) in accordance with the provisions of any one of the following paragraphs:

(A) from both parents, if they are both alive; or

(B) from the living parent of the prospective adoptee, if one of the parents is dead; or

(C) from the court-appointed guardian of the prospective adoptee; or

(D) from a licensed child-placing agency or the Mayor in case the parental rights of the parent or parents have been terminated by a court of competent jurisdiction or by a release of parental rights to the Mayor or licensed child-placing agency, based upon consents obtained in accor-

dance with paragraphs (A) through (C) of this subdivision, and the prospective adoptee has been lawfully placed under the care and custody of the agency or the Mayor; or

(E) from the Mayor in any situation not otherwise provided for by this subsection.

(c) Minority of a natural parent is not a bar to that parent's consent to adoption.

(d) When a parent whose consent is hereinbefore required, after such notice as the court directs, cannot be located, or has abandoned the prospective adoptee and voluntarily failed to contribute to his support for a period of at least six months next preceding the date of the filing of the petition, the consent of that parent is not required.

(e) The court may grant a petition for adoption without any of the consents specified in this section, when the court finds, after a hearing, that the consent or consents are withheld contrary to the best interest of the child.

(f) A person over eighteen years of age may be adopted, on the petition of the adopting parent or parents and with the consent of the prospective adoptee, if the court is satisfied that the adoption should be granted. (Dec. 23, 1963, 77 Stat. 538, Pub. L. 88-241, § 1; July 29, 1970, 84 Stat. 555, Pub. L. 91-358, title I, § 145(a)(2); Oct. 22, 1970, 84 Stat. 1086, Pub. L. 91-488; 1973 Ed., § 16-304; July 22, 1976, D.C. Law 1-75, § 5(e), 23 DCR 1182; Oct. 1, 1976, D.C. Law 1-87, § 12, 23 DCR 2544; Apr. 30, 1988, D.C. Law 7-104, § 4(b), 35 DCR 147.)

§ 16-305. Petition for adoption.

A petition filed for the adoption of a person shall be under oath or affirmation of the petitioner and the titling thereof shall be substantially as follows: "Ex parte in the matter of the petition of for adoption." The petition or the exhibits annexed thereto shall contain the following information:

- (1) the name, sex, date, and place of birth of the prospective adoptee, and the names, addresses and residences of the natural parents, if known to the petitioner, except that in an adoption proceeding that is consented to by the Mayor or a licensed child-placing agency, the names, addresses and residences of the natural parents may not be set forth;
- (2) the name, address, age, business or employment of the petitioner, and the name of the employer, if any, of the petitioner;
- (3) the relationship, if any, of the prospective adoptee to the petitioner;
- (4) the race and religion of the prospective adoptee, or his natural parent or parents;
- (5) the race and religion of the petitioner;
- (6) the date that the prospective adoptee commenced residing with petitioner; and
- (7) any change of name which may be desired.

When any of the above facts is unknown to the petitioner, the petitioner shall state this fact. When any of the above facts is known to the Mayor, or a licensed child-placing agency that as a matter of social policy declines to disclose them to the petitioner, the facts may be disclosed to the court in an exhibit filed by the Mayor or the agency with the court. If more than one petitioner joins in a petition, the requirements of this section apply to each. (Dec. 23, 1963, 77 Stat. 538, Pub. L. 88-24, § 1; July 29, 1970, 84 Stat. 555, Pub. L. 91-358, title I, § 145(a)(2); 1973 Ed., § 16-305; Apr. 30, 1988, D.C. Law 7-104, § 4(c), 35 DCR 147.)

§ 16-306. Notice of adoption proceedings.

(a) Except as provided by subsection (b) of this section, due notice of pending adoption proceedings shall be given to each person whose consent is necessary thereto, immediately upon the filing of a petition. The notice shall be given by summons, by registered letter sent to the addressee only, or otherwise as ordered by the court.

(b) A party who formally gives his consent to the proposed adoption, as provided by this chapter, thereby waives the requirement of notice to him pursuant to this section. (Dec. 23, 1963, 77 Stat. 539, Pub. L. 88-241, § 1; 1973 Ed., § 16-306.)

§ 16-307. Investigation, report, and recommendation.

(a) Except as provided by section 16-308, upon the filing of a petition the court shall refer the petition for investigation, report, and recommendation to:

- (1) the licensed child-placing agency by which the case is supervised; or
- (2) the Mayor, if the case is not supervised by a licensed child-placing agency.

(b) The investigation, report, and recommendation shall include:

(1) an investigation of:

- (A) the truth of the allegations of the petition;
- (B) the environment, antecedents, and assets, if any, of the prospective adoptee, to determine whether he is a proper subject for adoption;
- (C) the home of the petitioner, to determine whether the home is a suitable one for the prospective adoptee; and
- (D) any other circumstances and conditions that may have a bearing on the proposed adoption and of which the court should have knowledge,

including the existence and terms of a tentative adoption subsidy agreement entered into prior to the filing of the adoption petition under section 3 of the Act of July 26, 1892 (D.C. Code, sec. 3-115).

(2) a written report to the court of the findings of the investigation; and

(3) a recommendation to the court whether a final decree declaring the adoption prayed for in the petition should be immediately granted, or whether the court should grant an interlocutory decree granting temporary custody of the prospective adoptee to the petitioner, as hereinafter set forth.

(c) The written report submitted to the court shall be filed with, and become part of, the records in the case. (Dec. 23, 1963, 77 Stat. 539, Pub. L. 88-241, § 1; July 29, 1970, 84 Stat. 555, Pub. L. 91-358, title I, § 145(a)(2); 1973 Ed., § 16-307; Jan. 2, 1974, 87 Stat. 1061, Pub. L. 93-241, § 2(a); Apr. 30, 1988, D.C. Law 7-104, § 4(d), 35 DCR 147.)

§ 16-308. Investigations when prospective adoptee is adult or petitioner is spouse of natural parent.

The court may dispense with the investigation, report, and interlocutory decree provided for by this chapter when:

(1) the prospective adoptee is an adult; or

(2) the petitioner is a spouse of the natural parent of the prospective adoptee and the natural parent consents to the adoption or joins in the petition for adoption.

In the circumstances specified in (2) above, the petition need not contain the information concerning race and religion specified by subparagraphs (4) and (5) of section 16-305. (Dec. 23, 1963, 77 Stat. 539, Pub. L. 88-241, § 1; 1973 Ed., § 16-308; Oct. 30, 1975, D.C. Law 1-25, § 3, 22 DCR 2465.)

§ 16-309. Adoption proceedings.

(a) Within a period of ninety days, or such time as extended by the court, after a copy of the petition and the order providing for the report is served upon the agency directed to make the investigation, the agency shall make the report and recommendation required by section 16-307 to the court and thereupon the court shall proceed to act upon the petition.

(b) After considering the petition, the consents, and such evidence as the parties and any other properly interested person may present, the court may enter a final or interlocutory decree of adoption when it is satisfied that:

(1) the prospective adoptee is physically, mentally, and otherwise suitable for adoption by the petitioner;

(2) the petitioner is fit and able to give the prospective adoptee a proper home and education;

(3) the adoption will be for the best interests of the prospective adoptee; and

(4) the adoption form has been completed by the petitioner pursuant to section 10 of the Vital Records Act of 1981.

In determining whether the petitioner will be able to give the prospective adoptee a proper home and education, the court shall give due consideration to any assurance by the Commissioner [Mayor] that he will provide or contribute funds for the necessary maintenance or medical care of the prospective adoptee under an adoption subsidy agreement under section 3 of the Act of July 26, 1892 (D.C. Code, sec. 3-115).

(c) A final decree of adoption may not be entered unless the prospective adoptee has been living with the petitioner for at least six months.

(d) If it appears to be in the interest of the prospective adoptee, the court may enter an interlocutory decree [decree] of adoption, which shall by its terms automatically become a final decree of adoption on a day therein named, not less than six months nor more than one year, from the date of entry of the interlocutory decree, unless in the interim the decree shall have been set aside for cause shown. The supervising agency shall be permitted to visit the adoptee during the period of the interlocutory decree.

(e) The court may revoke its interlocutory decree for good cause shown at any time before it becomes a final decree, either on its own motion or on the motion of one of the parties to the adoption. Before the revocation, notice shall

be given thereof to all those persons or parties who were given notice of the original petition for adoption, and an opportunity for all of them to be heard.

(f) All proceedings with reference to adoption shall be of a confidential nature and shall be held in chambers or in a sealed courtroom with as little publicity as the court deems appropriate. (Dec. 23, 1963, 77 Stat. 540, Pub. L. 88-241, § 1; 1973 Ed., § 16-309; Jan. 2, 1974, 87 Stat. 1061, Pub. L. 93-241, § 2(b); Oct. 8, 1981, D.C. Law 4-34, § 29(e), 28 DCR 3271.)

§ 16-310. Finality of decrees of adoption.

An attempt to invalidate a final decree of adoption by reason of a jurisdictional or procedural defect may not be received by any court of the District, unless regularly filed with the court within one year following the date the final decree became effective. (Dec. 23, 1963, 77 Stat. 540, Pub. L. 88-241, § 1; 1973 Ed., § 16-310.)

§ 16-311. Sealing and inspection of records and papers.

From and after the filing of the petition, records and papers in adoption proceedings shall be sealed. They may not be inspected by any person, including the parties to the proceeding, except upon order of the court, and only then when the court is satisfied that the welfare of the child will thereby be promoted or protected. The clerk of the court shall keep a separate docket for adoption proceedings. (Dec. 23, 1963, 77 Stat. 541, Pub. L. 88-241, § 1; 1973 Ed., § 16-311.)

§ 16-312. Legal effects of adoption.

(a) A final decree of adoption establishes the relationship of natural parent and natural child between adoptor [adopter] and adoptee for all purposes, including mutual rights of inheritance and succession as if adoptee were born to adoptor [adopter]. The adoptee takes from, through, and as a representative of his adoptive parent or parents in the same manner as a child by birth, and upon the death of an adoptee intestate, his property shall pass and be distributed in the same manner as if the adoptee had been born to the adopting parent or parents in lawful wedlock. All rights and duties including those of inheritance and succession between the adoptee, his natural parents, their issue, collateral relatives, and so forth, are cut off, except that when one of the natural parents is the spouse of the adoptor [adopter], the rights and relations as between adoptee, that natural parent, and his parents and collateral relatives, including mutual rights of inheritance and succession, are in no wise altered.

(b) While it is in force, an interlocutory decree of adoption has the same legal effect as a final decree of adoption. Upon the revocation of an interlocutory decree of adoption, the status of the adoptee, the natural parents of the adoptee, and the petitioners are as though the interlocutory decree were null and void ab initio.

(c) The family name of the adoptee shall be changed to that of the adopter unless the decree otherwise provides, and the given name of the adoptee may be fixed or changed at the same time. (Dec. 23, 1963, 77 Stat. 541, Pub. L. 88-241, § 1; 1973 Ed., § 16-312.)

§ 16-313. Child as including adopted person.

In the District, "child" or its equivalent in a deed, grant, will, or other written instrument includes an adopted person, unless the contrary plainly appears by the terms thereof, whether the instrument was executed before or after the entry of the interlocutory decree of adoption, if any, or before or after the final decree of adoption became effective. (Dec. 23, 1963, 77 Stat. 541, Pub. L. 88-241, § 1; 1973 Ed., § 16-313.)

§ 16-314. Birth certificates.

(a) Upon the issuance of a final decree of adoption, an adoption form shall be sent to the Registrar pursuant to the Vital Records Act of 1981. Unless otherwise requested in the petition by the adopters, the Registrar shall cause to be made a new record of the birth in the new name with the names of the adopters and shall then cause the original birth certificate and the order of the Court to be sealed and filed. The sealed package may be opened only by order of the Court or by the Registrar to properly administer the Vital Records Act of 1981.

(b) If the adoption occurred outside the District either before or after August 25, 1937, a new certificate of birth shall be made pursuant to section 11 of the Vital Records Act of 1981. The Registrar shall seal the original birth

certificate. The sealed original birth certificate may be opened only by order of a court of competent jurisdiction or by the Registrar to properly administer the Vital Records Act of 1981.

(c) If the birth of the adoptee occurred outside the District the clerk of the court shall, upon petition by the adopter, furnish him with a certified copy of the final decree of adoption.

(d) When an adoption in the District occurred prior to August 25, 1937, the court shall, upon presentation of a motion by a party to the proceedings, order the clerk of the court to seal the records in the proceeding. Upon presentation of a certified copy of the order the Mayor shall cause to be made a new record of the birth in the new name and with the names of the adopters and shall then cause to be sealed and filed the original birth certificate with the order of the court. The sealed package may be opened only by order of the court. (Dec. 23, 1963, 77 Stat. 541, Pub. L. 88-241, § 1; July 29, 1970, 84 Stat. 555, Pub. L. 91-358, title I, § 145(a)(2); 1973 Ed., § 16-314; Oct. 8, 1981, D.C. Law 4-34, § 29(f), 28 DCR 3271; Apr. 30, 1988, D.C. Law 7-104, § 4(e), 35 DCR 147.)

§ 16-315. Prior proceedings.

The provisions of this chapter have no effect prior to June 8, 1954, except to the extent that they specifically so provide. They do not affect in any way the rights and relations obtained by any decree of adoption entered prior to June 8, 1954. (Dec. 23, 1963, 77 Stat. 542, Pub. L. 88-241, § 1; 1973 Ed., § 16-315.)

§ 32-1001 ELEMOSYNARY, CURATIVE, AND PENAL INSTITUTIONS

CHAPTER 10. PLACEMENT OF CHILDREN IN FAMILY HOMES.

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§ 32-1001. Purpose of chapter.

The purpose of this chapter is to secure for each child under 16 years of age who is placed in a family home, other than his own or that of a relative within the third degree, such care and guidance as will serve the child's welfare and the best interests of the District of Columbia; and to secure for him custody and care as near as possible to that which should have been given him by his parents. (Apr. 22, 1944, 58 Stat. 193, ch. 174, § 1; 1973 Ed., § 32-781.)

§ 32-1002. "Child-placing agency" defined; license required.

Any person, firm, corporation, association, or public agency that receives or accepts a child under 16 years of age and places or offers to place such child for temporary or permanent care in a family home other than that of a relative within the third degree shall be deemed to be maintaining a child-placing agency. No child-placing agency shall be maintained in the District of Columbia without a license issued by the Mayor of the District of Columbia: Provided, that notwithstanding any provisions of § 32-1004 such a license shall be issued forthwith to any corporation or association chartered by special act

of Congress and having under its charter the purposes or powers of a child-placing agency as herein defined. (Apr. 22, 1944, 58 Stat. 193, ch. 174, § 2; 1973 Ed., § 32-782; Apr. 23, 1980, D.C. Law 3-59, § 2(a), 27 DCR 983.)

§ 32-1003. Appointment of committee to promulgate rules and regulations; composition and tenure.

(a) The Mayor shall appoint a committee to formulate and adopt rules and regulations, prescribing standards of placement, care, and services to be required of child-placing agencies, pursuant to the intent and purposes of this chapter. The committee shall be composed of 3 representatives of the Department of Human Services, of whom 2 shall be from the Commission on Social Services, and 1 shall be from the Office of Licensing and Certification; 8 representatives of the charitable organizations of the District of Columbia licensed to place children in family homes who shall be representative of child-placing agencies, including, but not limited to, foster care, group home care, and infant, special needs, and international adoptions; and 5 public members, including a lawyer, a representative of the medical profession, and individuals or representatives of organizations, other than child-placing organizations, concerned with the adoption of foster care of children. The Mayor shall appoint 1 member to serve as chairperson. The term of office of each member of the committee shall be 3 years, staggered so that one third of the appointments expire each year. Any member appointed to fill a vacancy occurring prior to the expiration of the term for which his or her predecessor was appointed shall be appointed for the remainder of such term. Upon expiration of his or her term of office, a member shall continue to serve until his or her successor is appointed.

(b) Rules and regulations promulgated by the committee shall be:

(1) Issued according to Chapter 15 of Title 1 within 12 months of the appointment of the committee;

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(2) Reviewed by the committee annually and amended when deemed necessary; and

(3) Subject to the approval of the Mayor. (Apr. 22, 1944, 58 Stat. 193, ch. 174, § 3; June 8, 1954, 68 Stat. 246, ch. 273, § 1; 1973 Ed., § 32-783; Apr. 23, 1980, D.C. Law 3-59, § 2(a), (b), 27 DCR 983; Aug. 21, 1982, D.C. Law 4-141, § 2(a), (b), 29 DCR 2867.)

§ 32-1004. Application for issuance of licenses.

(a) An application for a license as a child-placing agency shall be made to the Mayor on forms provided by him and in the manner prescribed. Before such license is issued the Department of Human Services shall arrange to have an investigation made of the activities and standards of care of the agency and shall consult with persons having official connection with the agency. If the Department is satisfied as to the good character and intent of the applicant, and that the agency is adequately financed, and that its staff, procedures, and services conform to the established standards of care, said Department shall recommend to the Mayor that a license be issued.

(b) A provisional license may be issued to any agency which is temporarily unable to conform to all the provisions of the established standards of care upon terms and conditions prescribed by the Mayor upon recommendation of the Department of Human Services.

(c) All licenses shall be issued for 1 year from the date thereof and may be renewed annually on the application of the agency, except that provisional licenses may be issued for not more than 3 successive years. (Apr. 22, 1944, 58 Stat. 193, ch. 174, § 4; June 8, 1954, 68 Stat. 247, ch. 273, § 2; 1973 Ed., § 32-784; Apr. 23, 1980, D.C. Law 3-59, § 2(a), 27 DCR 983.)

§ 32-1005. Persons and agencies authorized to place children; custody, control and visitation by agencies; confidentiality of records.

(a) No person other than the parent, guardian, or relative within the third degree, and no firm, corporation, association, or agency, other than a licensed child-placing agency, may place or arrange or assist in placing or arranging for the placement of a child under 16 years of age in a family home or for adoption. In accordance with the rules and regulations promulgated hereunder, any licensed child-placing agency may accept children for placement in family homes and shall have and maintain care, custody, and control of any such child until returned to the person from whom received or until responsibility for the child is transferred to another child welfare agency or terminated by the order of a court of competent jurisdiction.

(b) Every such agency shall keep and maintain careful supervision of all children under its care, including those placed in family homes, and its officers or agents shall visit all such homes and families as often as may be necessary to promote the welfare of such child: Provided, that legally adopted children shall not be subject to such supervision and visitation, or other supervision or visitation. Every such agency shall keep such records as shall be required by the rules and regulations promulgated hereunder and all records regarding children and all facts learned about children and their parents or relatives shall be deemed confidential.

(c) Records which are deemed confidential shall not be available for inspection by nor disclosed to any person, firm, corporation, association, or public agency, except that such records shall be available for inspection by authorities authorized by law to license child-placing agencies. Such records shall not be subject to judicial subpoena in collateral proceedings, except that the licensed child-placing agency and the Mayor in accordance with rules and regulations promulgated hereunder, may make such records, or any information contained in such records, available:

(1) When the Mayor or such agency determines that any information contained in such records shall promote or protect the interest and welfare of any child the Mayor or such agency has served; and

(2) For the purpose of research if adequate safeguards are taken against the disclosure or publication in any manner of the identity of any person contained in such records. (Apr. 22, 1944, 58 Stat. 194, ch. 174, § 5; June 8, 1954, 68 Stat. 247, ch. 273, § 3; 1973 Ed., § 32-785; Apr. 23, 1980, D.C. Law 3-59, § 2(a), 27 DCR 983.)

§ 32-1006. Agreements with foreign agencies.

Notwithstanding the provisions of this chapter, the Mayor is authorized to enter into agreements with any person, firm, corporation, association, or public agency licensed or authorized by a state or country for the care and placement of minors, permitting such person, firm, corporation, association, or public agency to place nonresident children in foster or adopting homes in the District of Columbia. The Mayor shall act pursuant to regulations promulgated as provided in § 32-1003. (Apr. 22, 1944, ch. 174, § 5A; June 8, 1954, 68 Stat. 247, ch. 273, § 4; 1973 Ed., § 32-785a; Apr. 23, 1980, D.C. Law 3-59, § 2(a), 27 DCR 983.)

§ 32-1007. Parental rights; termination or relinquishment; vesting in agencies or Mayor; exercise in adoption proceedings.

(a)(1) Whenever a licensed child-placing agency shall have been given the permanent care and guardianship of any child and the rights of the parent or parents of such child have been terminated by order of the court of competent jurisdiction or by a legally executed relinquishment of parental rights, the agency is vested with parental rights and may consent to the adoption of the child pursuant to the statutes regulating adoption procedure. Minority of a natural parent shall not be a bar to such parent's relinquishment to a licensed agency.

(2) For purposes of this section, "licensed child-placing agency" shall mean any child-placing agency licensed pursuant to this chapter or any child-placing agency licensed or authorized by any state, territory, or possession of the United States, by the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, or by any foreign country or any state, province or other governmental division of any foreign country for the care and placement of minors.

(b) No relinquishment of parental rights shall be made within the first 72 hours after birth. Prior to any relinquishment any corporation, association, or public agency that conducts a licensed child-placing agency shall provide counseling, by a professional social worker, to the relinquishing parent regarding the alternative services available in addition to psychological and emotional counseling to both the parent and the child.

(c) Any relinquishment of parental rights executed by a single natural parent or by both natural parents, other than by court order as provided in

this subsection, may be automatically revoked by a verified writing executed by the single parent or both parents respectively and submitted to the agency within 10 calendar days of executing a legal relinquishment. Where both natural parents execute a relinquishment of parental rights, other than by court order, either parent may automatically revoke his or her relinquishment of parental rights by executing a verified writing submitted to the agency within 10 calendar days of executing the relinquishment. The rights of the parent not seeking custody shall be terminated and such parent shall not have the power to obstruct the revocation. If the 10th day falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, the deadlines for filing the revocation shall be extended to the next working day. No relinquishment of parental rights shall be considered final until the revocation period has expired with no revocation having been made by the natural parent. Automatic revocation of relinquishment can be exercised only once.

(d) A waiting period of 30 days from the date of revocation of the 1st relinquishment shall expire before a 2nd relinquishment can be executed. A relinquishment, if exercised a 2nd time, shall be irrevocable, unless an additional right to revoke is granted by court order upon a finding by the court that the relinquishment was not given voluntarily, e.g., the relinquishment was induced by fraud, coercion, material mistake or other factors that bear on a determination of voluntariness.

(e) Any relinquishment of parental rights and revocation thereof may be transferred from 1 licensed child-placing agency to another child-placing agency in which case the 2nd agency shall assume all the rights and duties of the 1st agency.

(f) Except in proceedings for adoption, no parent may voluntarily assign or otherwise transfer to another his rights and duties with respect to the permanent care and control of a child under 16 years of age, unless such relinquishment of parental rights is made to a licensed child-placing agency. Such relinquishment of parental rights shall be a statement in writing signed by the person relinquishing such parental rights who shall subscribe his name thereto and acknowledge the same before a representative of the licensed child-placing agency in the presence of at least 1 witness. Each transfer or relinquishment of parental rights and any revocation of said relinquishment shall be recorded and filed by the child-placing agency in a properly sealed file in the Family Division of the Superior Court for the District of Columbia within 20 days after the expiration of the revocation period. Any subsequent relinquishment shall be filed by the child-placing agency in a properly sealed file in the Family Division of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia within 30 days after the date of relinquishment. The seal of said file shall not be broken except for good cause shown and upon the written order of a judge of said Court.

(g) The relinquishment form used by the child-placing agency shall contain the following notice to the parent in clear and conspicuous language:

(1) Notice to the relinquishing parent of the parent's automatic right of revocation within 10 calendar days from the date of relinquishment;

(2) Notice that a relinquishment if exercised a 2nd time shall be irrevocable;

(3) Notice that the child-placing agency has a statutory obligation to file all notices of the relinquishment and revocation thereof with the Superior Court for the District of Columbia.

(h) Relinquishing parents shall be orally advised of their rights as described in subsection (g) of this section. The child-placing agency shall orally advise the relinquishing parent as to the nature and consequences resulting from the execution of the relinquishment document prior to relinquishment.

(i) The Mayor or his designated agents are empowered to accept permanent care and guardianship of any child by a legally executed relinquishment of parental rights and when vested with such parental rights shall exercise them in the same manner as prescribed herein for a licensed child-placing agency. Such parental relinquishment taken by the Mayor or his designated agents shall be subject to the same rights and requirements as to form, transfer, and disposition as are prescribed herein for a licensed child-placing agency. (Apr. 22, 1944, 58 Stat. 194, ch. 174, § 6; June 8, 1954, 68 Stat. 248, ch. 273, § 5; Apr. 11, 1956, 70 Stat. 113, ch. 204, § 107(c); Aug. 21, 1959, 73 Stat. 413, Pub. L. 86-177, § 1; July 8, 1963, 77 Stat. 77, Pub. L. 88-60, § 1; July 29, 1970, 84 Stat. 578, Pub. L. 91-358, title I, § 159(i); 1973 Ed., § 32-786; Apr. 23, 1980, D.C. Law 3-59, § 2(a), 27 DCR 983; Apr. 4, 1984, D.C. Law 5-72, §§ 2, 3, 31 DCR 732.)

§ 32-1008. Refusal to issue, revocation or suspension of licenses; reinstatement or reissuance.

The Mayor may refuse to reissue or may revoke or suspend the license of any child-placing agency after full hearing on proof of violation of any provisions of this chapter or the rules and regulations promulgated hereunder. Before any license shall be suspended or revoked the holder thereof shall have notice in writing of the charge or charges and shall, at the date and place specified in said notice, which shall be at least 5 days after the service thereof, be given a hearing by said Mayor, or his designated agents, with a full opportunity to produce testimony in his, her, or its behalf. Any licensee whose license has been suspended or revoked may, after the expiration of 90 days, on application to the said Mayor, have the same reinstated or reissued upon satisfactory proof that the disqualification has ceased. (Apr. 22, 1944, 58 Stat. 195, ch. 174, § 7; 1973 Ed., § 32-787; Apr. 23, 1980, D.C. Law 3-59, § 2(a), 27 DCR 983.)

§ 32-1008.1. Agency required to check enumerated registers for child abuse or neglect; effect of failure of agency to check or obtain information.

Prior to placement of a child in a family home, a child-placing agency licensed in the District of Columbia and the Department of Human Services shall:

(1) Obtain written consent from applicants for release of information from:

(A) The D.C. Child Protection Register established under Chapter 21 of Title 6;

(B) Registers of child abuse and neglect located in all states, territories and possessions of the United States in which the applicant has resided within the previous 5 years; and

(C) If applicable, from any registers maintained by any branch of the armed forces of the United States.

(2) Check the proposed placement of a child in a family home with the Child Protection Register and, where applicable, with other registers pursuant to subparagraphs (B) and (C) of paragraph (1) of this section for the purpose of determining whether there has been a report of child abuse or neglect. Failure of an agency to make such check prior to placement may result in suspension, revocation, or refusal to renew that agency's child placement license. Failure of any agency to obtain information from a register due to policies and procedures in those jurisdictions other than the District of Columbia or the various branches of the armed forces of the United States, prohibiting release of such information, shall not constitute a violation under

this paragraph. (Apr. 22, 1944, 58 Stat. 193, § 7a, as added Aug. 21, 1982, D.C. Law 4-141, § 2(c), 29 DCR 2867.)

§ 32-1009. Violations; prosecution.

Any person, firm, corporation, association, or public agency who conducts a child-placing agency without a license as provided for in this chapter or who violates any of the provisions of this chapter shall, upon conviction, be fined not more than \$300 or imprisoned for not more than 90 days, or both. Prosecution for violations of such sections shall be upon information in the Criminal Division of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia by the Corporation Counsel of the District of Columbia. Civil fines, penalties, and fees may be imposed as alternative sanctions for any infraction of the provisions of this chapter, or any rules or regulations issued under the authority of this chapter, pursuant to subchapters I through III of Chapter 27 of Title 6. Adjudication of any infraction of this chapter shall be pursuant to subchapters I through III of Chapter 27 of Title 6. (Apr. 22, 1944, 58 Stat. 195, ch. 174, § 8; July 8, 1963, 77 Stat. 77, Pub. L. 88-60, § 1; July 29, 1970, 84 Stat. 570, Pub. L. 91-358, title I, § 155(a); 1973 Ed., § 32-788; Oct. 5, 1985, D.C. Law 6-42, § 444, 32 DCR 4450.)

§ 32-1010. Investigations and inspections.

The Department of Human Services is authorized to make such investigations and inspections as are necessary to carry out the provisions of this chapter. (Apr. 22, 1944, 58 Stat. 195, ch. 174, § 9; 1973 Ed., § 32-789.)

§ 32-1011. Authority to charge or receive compensation for services; inability to pay adoption costs.

Neither the Mayor nor any child-placing agency authorized to perform services in connection with placing a child in a family home for adoption may make or receive any charge or compensation whatsoever for such services, except that a licensed child-placing agency which is organized and operated exclusively for religious or charitable purposes and no part of the net earnings of which can inure to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual may be allowed to charge adoptive parents, within prescribed limits, for such services an amount not to exceed the average costs incurred; such average costs and prescribed limits to be determined in accordance with rules and regulations promulgated by the committee created by § 32-1003. Inability of adoptive applicants to pay for all or any part of such costs shall not be a disqualifying factor in determining whether applicants are suitable parents for the child. (Apr. 22, 1944, ch. 174, § 12; June 8, 1954, 68 Stat. 248, ch. 273, § 6; 1973 Ed., § 32-790; Apr. 23, 1980, D.C. Law 3-59, § 2(a), 27 DCR 983.)

INTERSTATE COMPACT ON PLACEMENT OF CHILDREN § 32-1042

CHAPTER 10A. INTERSTATE COMPACT ON PLACEMENT OF
CHILDREN.

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§ 32-1041. Definitions.

The term "appropriate authority" as used in this compact means, with reference to the District, the Director of the Department of Human Services. (Sept. 20, 1989, D.C. Law 8-30, § 3, 36 DCR 4744.)

§ 32-1042. Authority to enter into and execute Compact.

The Mayor of the District of Columbia ("District") is authorized to execute a compact on behalf of the District with any state that legally joins the compact in the form substantially as follows:

ARTICLE I. Purpose and policy.

It is the purpose and policy of the party states to cooperate in the interstate placement of children to the end that:

(1) Each child who requires placement shall receive the maximum opportunity to be placed in a suitable environment with a person or institution that has appropriate qualifications and facilities to provide necessary and desirable care.

(2) The appropriate authority in a state where a child is to be placed may have full opportunity to ascertain the circumstances of the proposed placement in order to promote full compliance with applicable requirements for the protection of the child.

(3) The appropriate authority of the sending state may obtain the most complete information on the basis of which to evaluate a projected placement before it is made.

(4) Appropriate jurisdictional arrangements for the care of children are promoted.

ARTICLE II. Definitions.

For the purposes of this compact the term:

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(1) "Child" means a person who, by reason of minority, is legally subject to parental, guardianship, or similar control.

(2) "Placement" means the arrangement for the care of a child in a family, boarding home, or child-care agency or institution, but does not include an institution that cares for the mentally ill, mentally defective, or epileptic, an institution primarily educational in character, or a hospital or other medical facility.

(3) "Receiving state" means the state to which a child is sent, brought, or caused to be sent or brought, whether by a public authority, a private person, or an agency, and whether for placement with a state or local public authority or private agency or person.

(4) "Sending state" means a party state, including the District of Columbia, an officer or employee of the sending state, a subdivision of a party state, an officer, employee, or court of the party state, or a person, corporation, association, charitable agency, or other entity that sends, brings, or causes to be sent or brought a child to another party state.

ARTICLE III. Conditions for placement.

(a) No sending state shall send, bring, or cause to be sent or brought into any other party state a child for placement in foster care or prior to a possible adoption, unless the sending state complies with each requirement set forth in this compact and applicable laws of the receiving state that govern the placement of children.

(b) Prior to sending, bringing, or causing a child to be sent or brought into a receiving state for placement in foster care or prior to a possible adoption, the sending state shall furnish the appropriate authority in the receiving state written notice of the intention to send, bring, or place the child in the receiving state. The notice shall contain:

- (1) The name, date, and place of birth of the child;
- (2) The identity and address of the parents or legal guardian;
- (3) The name and address of the person, agency, or institution to or which the sending state proposes to send, bring, or place the child; and
- (4) A full statement of the reason for the proposed action and evidence of the authority for the proposed placement.

(c) The appropriate authority in a receiving state who receives notice pursuant to subsection (b) of this article may request of the sending state, and shall be entitled to receive, supporting or additional information necessary to carry out the purpose and policy of this compact.

(d) The child shall not be sent, brought, or caused to be sent or brought into the receiving state until the appropriate authority in the receiving state notifies the sending state, in writing, that the proposed placement does not appear to be contrary to the interests of the child.

ARTICLE IV. Penalty for illegal placement.

Any person or state who sends, brings, or causes to be sent or brought into a receiving state a child in violation of the terms of this compact may be pun-

ished or subjected to a penalty in either the sending or receiving state in accordance with the laws of each. In addition to liability for any punishment or penalty, each violation shall constitute full and sufficient grounds for the suspension or revocation of any license, permit, or other legal authorization held by the sending state that authorizes it to place or care for children.

ARTICLE V. Retention of jurisdiction.

(a) The sending state shall retain jurisdiction over the child sufficient to determine all matters that relate to the custody, supervision, care, treatment, and disposition of the child that it would have had if the child had remained in the sending state, until the child is adopted, reaches the age of majority, becomes self-supporting, or is discharged with the concurrence of the appropriate authority in the receiving state. The sending state shall continue to have financial responsibility for the support and maintenance of the child during the period of the placement. Nothing contained in this compact shall defeat a claim of jurisdiction by a receiving state to deal with an act of delinquency or crime committed in the receiving state.

(b) When the sending state is a public agency, it may enter into an agreement with an authorized public or private agency in the receiving state to provide for the performance of any service with respect to the child by the receiving state as agent for the sending state.

(c) Nothing in this compact shall be construed to prevent a private charitable agency authorized to place children in the receiving state from performing services or acting as agent in the receiving state for a private charitable agency of the sending state, nor to prevent the agency in the receiving state from discharging financial responsibility for the support and maintenance of a child who has been placed on behalf of the sending state without relieving the responsibility set forth in subsection (a) of this article.

ARTICLE VI. Institutional care of delinquent children.

A child adjudicated delinquent may be placed in an institution in another party state pursuant to this compact, but no placement shall be made unless the child is given a court hearing, with an opportunity to be heard after notice to the parent or guardian, before the child is sent to the party state for institutional care and the court finds that:

(1) Equivalent facilities for the child are not available in the sending state; and

(2) Institutional care in the receiving state is in the best interest of the child and will not produce undue hardship.

ARTICLE VII. Compact administrator.

The appropriate authority shall be the general coordinator of activities under this compact in his or her state and who, acting jointly with the appropriate authority of other party states, shall promulgate rules and regulations

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in accordance with the procedures established by subchapter I of Chapter 15 of Title 1.

ARTICLE VIII. Limitations.

This compact shall not apply if:

(1) A child is sent or brought into a receiving state by his parent, step-parent, grandparent, adult brother or sister, adult uncle or aunt, or his guardian, or if the child is left with the relative or nonagency guardian in the receiving state.

(2) A child is placed, sent, or brought into a receiving state pursuant to any other interstate compact to which both the state from which the child is placed and the receiving state are parties, or to any other agreement between the sending and receiving states that has the force of law.

ARTICLE IX. Enactment and withdrawal.

This compact shall be open to joinder by any state, territory, or possession of the United States, the District, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and, with the consent of Congress, the government of Canada or any Canadian province. The compact shall be effective when the jurisdiction has enacted the compact into law. Withdrawal from this compact shall be by the enactment of a statute that repeals the compact, but the repeal shall not take effect until 2 years after the effective date of the statute that repeals the compact and written notice of the withdrawal has been given by the withdrawing state to the executive head of each other party jurisdiction. Withdrawal of a party state shall not affect the rights, duties, or obligations under this compact of any sending state with respect to a placement made prior to the effective date of withdrawal.

ARTICLE X. Construction and severability.

The provisions of this compact shall be liberally construed to effectuate the purposes of the compact. If this compact is held to be contrary to the constitution of any party state, the compact shall remain in effect as to the remaining states and in effect as to the state affected as to all severable matters. (Sept. 20, 1989, D.C. Law 8-30, § 2, 36 DCR 4744.)

Legislative history of Law 8-30. — See note to § 32-1041.

Short title. — See note to § 32-1041.

§ 32-1043. Agreements with other states.

An officer of the District that has the authority to place children and an official of a private agency licensed as a child placement agency by the District government pursuant to Chapter 10 of Title 32, is authorized to enter into an agreement with the appropriate officer or agency in another party state pursuant to subsection (b) of Article V of the compact. (Sept. 20, 1989, D.C. Law 8-30, § 4, 36 DCR 4744.)

Legislative history of Law 8-30. — See note to § 32-1041.

Short title. — See note to § 32-1041.

§ 32-1044. Delinquent children, administrative hearing, judicial review.

(a) If a child is adjudicated delinquent and committed to the custody of the District of Columbia Department of Human Services ("DHS"), pursuant to § 16-2320, and DHS, pursuant to Article VI of the Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children ("Compact") places the child in another party jurisdiction, the rules issued pursuant to this section shall apply for purposes of meeting the requirements of Article VI of the compact.

(b) DHS shall afford an opportunity for an administrative hearing to the parents or legal guardian before placing a child. Subsequent to the hearing, the decision to make a placement upon request of the parent or guardian of the child may be reviewed at a court hearing in the Juvenile Branch of the Family Division of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia. The court hearing shall be held within 30 days after a request is made. The decision to place the child in an institution in another party state shall be upheld if the court finds that:

(1) Equivalent facilities for the child are not available within the jurisdiction of the District; and

(2) Institutional care in another state is in the best interest of the child and will not produce undue hardship.

(c) Except as provided in this section, the manner and standard of review by the Superior Court of the District of Columbia shall be as set forth in subtitle I of Chapter 15 of Title 1.

(d) A court review in accordance with this section shall not authorize the court to:

(1) Order DHS to pay for the care or treatment of a child who has not been committed to its custody;

(2) Order specific placement in another party state if the child has been committed to the custody of DHS;

(3) Review a decision by DHS to return a child to the District; or

(4) Set aside the placement decision of DHS, unless an abuse of discretion is found.

(e) This section shall not affect the authority of the court to order a specific placement. (Sept. 20, 1989, D.C. Law 8-30, § 5, 36 DCR 4744.)



Funeral Service for Mother Teresa M.C.

Born 26th August 1910

Died 5th September 1997

Held at 10:00 a.m.
on Saturday 13th September 1997
at Netaji Indoor Stadium
Calcutta



Safe in the Arms of Jesus

1. Aguner Poroshmoni (Rabindra Sangeet)

Ch: Aguner poroshmoni chonyayo praane,
E jibon punno koro, dohono daane.

Aamar ei deho khani tule dhor
Tomar oi debaloyer prodeep koro
Nishidin aalok shikha joluk gaane.

Adharer gaye gaye porosh tobo
Sara raat photak tara nobo nobo (2)
Noyoner drishti hote ghuchbe kaalo
Jekhane porbe shethay dekhbe aalo
Baetha mor uthbe jole urdho paane.

2. Kyrie

Kyrie eleison (2), Christe eleison (2) Kyrie eleison (2)

3. Gloria

Ch. Gloria, gloria in excelsis deo! (2)

1. Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to His people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father.
We worship You, we give You thanks,
we praise You for Your glory!

2. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father
Lord God, Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father
receive our prayer.

3. For you alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
With the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen!

4. Responsorial Psalm (Shepherd Me, O God)

Ch. Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants,
beyond my fears, From death into life.

1. God is my Shepherd, so nothing shall I want.
I rest in the meadows of faithfulness and love.
I walk by the quiet waters of peace.

2. Gently You take me and heal my weary soul.
You lead me by pathways of righteousness and truth.
My spirit shall sing the music of Your name.

3. Though I should wander the valley of darkness,
I fear no evil for You are at my side,
Your rod and Your staff my comfort and my hope.

5. Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Thank You, Father, Lord of heaven and earth,
That You have revealed the mysteries of the kingdom
To the children!

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

6. Offertory Hymn (Hindi)

Ch: De tujhe kya uphaar, paas kuch bhi nahin
Tu hamara hai prabhu, Ek tujhpe yakin.

Tu hamare dukh mei, sada raha saathi
Teri jyoti ban gayi baati.

Kar Hamen tu pawan, bana hamen apna,
Duniyan lagti humko sapna.

Man kahe ki khushiyan, tujhe sabhi de dun
Khushiyan kaisi jindagi de dun.





7. Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy Lord of pow'r and might,
Earth and heaven sing hosanna in Your praise.
He is blessed who comes in the name of the Lord.
Sing hosanna in the highest. Praise the Lord.

8. *Mysterium Fidei*

O Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again;
Yes, Christ has died, Christ is risen,
Christ will come again!

9. *Agnus Dei*

Lamb of God, You take the sin of all the world.
Lamb of God, You take the sin of all the world.
Show us mercy and grant us all the peace of Christ.
Lamb of God, You take the sin of all the world.

Communion Hymns

10. *I Was Hungry*

1. I was hungry and you offered me food;
I was thirsty and you gave me a drink.
I was homeless and you warmly sheltered me;
I was needy and you helped me.

Ch. Lord, when did we see you wanting?
Lord, when did we know your need?
Lord, when did we help you?
Whenever you helped these little ones (2)
Then you helped me.

2. I was naked and you gave me your clothes,
And in prison when you visited me.
I was lonely and you came to comfort me;
I was needy but you helped me.

11. *Comunion Hymn (Bengali)*

Ch: Sheba kor dukhi jone, sheba kor aartojone,
Shei to tor khristo sheba (2)

Chokher jole haha kare, je boshe roy pother dhare
Tare buke tule ne bhai, shei to tor Khrishto sheba.

Gaan kora je shudhu bhalo, prarthona je aro bhalo
Shobar cheye bhalo je bhai, ghuchas jodi moner kaalo.
Praner Prodeep jaliye niye, andhar pothe chol egiye,
Baethar shrabon bhorbe noyon, shei to tor Khrishto sheba.

12. *Abide With Me*

1. Abide with me, fast falls the eventide,
The darkness deepens, Lord with me abide.
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

2. Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day,
Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away.
Change and decay in all around I see,
O Thou who changest not, abide with me.

3. I need Thy presence every passing hour,
What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's power?
Who like Thyself my guide and stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, O abide with me.

4. I fear no foe with Thee at hand to bless,
Ills have no weight and tears no bitterness.
Where is death's sting, where grace thy victory?
I triumph still if Thou abide with me.

5. Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes,
Shine through the gloom
and point me to the skies.
Heaven's morning breaks
and earth's vain shadows flee,
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

13. *Recessional : (Bengali)*

Ch: Shanti mohashanti majhe tumi aacho,
Shundoro oi rommo deshe tumi aacho.

Jethay dukho nahi roy, shethay jibon sorito boy
Pobitrotar madhurite tumi aacho.

Tomar dibbo e jibon here sadhu bhokto gon,
Tomoshar oi poropare chiro jyotir majhare,
Porom pitar shneho bokhe tumi aacho.



*Nicole - for your
NT files
Pam*

THE WHITE HOUSE

September 30, 1996

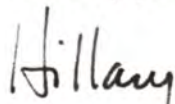
Mother Teresa
Missionaries of Charity
54A A.J.C. Bose Road
Calcutta, India 700 016

Dear Mother Teresa:

I have watched and read with concern reports of your hospitalization and recent fall. I am hopeful that your health will continue to improve because, as you have said, you've "got a lot of work to do." As always, my thoughts and prayers are with you and with the Missionaries of Charity.

With love and fellowship, I remain

Sincerely yours,



Hillary Rodham Clinton

MISSIONARIES OF CHARITY PROJECT STATUS REPORT

January 25, 1995

The Missionaries of Charity Project was formed to provide pregnant women who do not want to keep their children with the option of adoption as an alternative to abortion.

The Sisters seek to establish a home in the District of Columbia for infants to reside temporarily prior to their being placed with adoptive or foster families.

Sandra McMurtrie, a liaison to Mother Teresa, and attorney W. Shepherdson Abell have been the contact persons for the Missionaries of Charity. The law firm of Feldesman, Tucker, Leifer, Fidell & Bank has been providing legal assistance to the Sisters. Wohlmuth Associates Architects will provide the architectural assistance in the structural renovations required for the home.

Originally, the Missionaries of Charity expressed a desire to operate an adoption agency in the District of Columbia. This plan was not feasible because the District of Columbia regulations concerning child placing agencies presented several insurmountable obstacles. Specifically, they required that the agency personnel have advanced education degrees and years of experience that none of the Sisters possesses or had plans to obtain. Accordingly, compliance could not be guaranteed and a waiver of the regulations was inappropriate.

Next, the attorneys developed a plan whereby the Sisters would work in conjunction with the Catholic Charities, which currently has a license to operate a child placing agency. An arrangement was agreed upon whereby the Missionaries of Charity would operate a temporary home for infants until Catholic Charities could arrange for a permanent placement for these children.

The Missionaries of Charity will operate a home similar to the "boarder baby" homes in the District of Columbia. A "boarder baby" is a baby that remains "boarding" in the hospital following its birth despite being medically ready for discharge.

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The Sisters plan to renovate a home belonging to the Missionaries of Charity located in the District of Columbia. The home is currently used as a shelter for pregnant women. The renovation is required to comply with regulations designed to assure a safe and healthy environment for children.

The attorneys have been involved in securing compliance with District of Columbia regulations for temporary homes. They have met with the Commissioner of the Commission on Social Services and her Special Assistant and representatives from the public affairs department. There is great enthusiasm among these District officials in the success of the project. The attorneys have had ongoing discussions with the District of Columbia Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs to obtain permits and to assure that any renovations comply with regulations.

The Missionaries of Charity have retained Wohlmuth Architects Associates to assist in the permit and renovations process. The architects and attorneys will conduct a site visit of the home in the next few weeks to determine the work that must be done.

Depending on the efforts required, it is the hope of all involved that a home will be ready in the late Spring.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

January 25, 1995

Mother Theresa
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Dear Mother Theresa,

I wish to extend my best wishes for a happy and peaceful 1995 and share news of the progress we are making on the Washington project. When we were last together at the National Prayer Breakfast, I committed to helping you establish a home for children awaiting adoption or placement in foster homes. I am pleased to report that, although it has taken longer than you or I would like, we have made significant progress.

Your goal in establishing the home, as you shared it with me, is to provide the option of adoption to pregnant women who do not want to carry their children to term or raise them after birth. To that end, we have been working in close consultation with Sandy McMurtrie and a group of volunteer experts. Most of our efforts have gone into dealing with the many regulations of the District of Columbia that govern children's welfare institutions.

Originally, the Missionaries of Charity expressed a desire to obtain a license in the District of Columbia to operate an adoption agency. Consequently, we reviewed the D.C. Code and the applicable regulations concerning child placement agencies, which present several obstacles for the Sisters. Significantly, the regulations require that the personnel operating the agency hold specified advanced degrees and have several years of experience. The Sisters could not easily comply with the regulations.

Therefore, we next explored the idea that the Missionaries of Charity work in conjunction with Catholic Charities in accomplishing the goals of the project. Catholic Charities currently has a license to operate a child placement agency in the District of Columbia. We met with representatives from Catholic Charities and discussed an arrangement whereby the Missionaries of Charity would refer infants to Catholic Charities for placement. The Sisters would operate a home for the infants while they were waiting for placement.

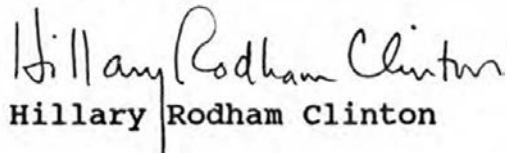
To further this plan, we have had ongoing discussions with the District of Columbia Department of Health and Human Services concerning the creation of a home for infants to reside temporarily prior to being placed with adoptive families. Several officials are presently helping us to facilitate this, and they have been extremely cooperative.

At this juncture, we are exploring the option of renovating the home belonging to the Missionaries of Charity that is currently used as a shelter for pregnant women. Renovation would be required to comply with the laws of the District of Columbia to assure a safe and healthy environment for children. We have engaged architects to assist in exploring the feasibility of the renovation option, and they are in the process of completing their assessment. Should this option be chosen, the attorneys we have engaged will then complete the necessary applications to allow children to reside in the home.

We all recognize the urgency of creating a warm and loving home for these children and will do our best to ensure that the project moves along as quickly as possible under the circumstances. I am meeting with Sandy McMurtrie and Sister Priscilla today and I know they will share our conversation with you.

I am anticipating a trip to India in late March. I hope very much that I will have the opportunity to visit with you when I am there. Wishing you all God's blessing in the critical work you do, I am

Sincerely yours,


Hillary Rodham Clinton

The fruit of SILENCE is Prayer
The fruit of PRAYER is Faith
The fruit of FAITH is Love
The fruit of LOVE is Service
The fruit of SERVICE is Peace

Mother Teresa



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My heart is filled with deep gratitude for your warm and prayerful sympathies. No words can express the mixed feelings of joy and sorrow at the departure of our Dearest Mother. Your gracious condolences are an expression of love, a sign of your deep appreciation of the works of love which our Lord has started through Mother and which, I am sure, with God's help, we will continue.

Mother used to say, "Let nothing so fill you with pain or sorrow as to make you forget the joy of the Resurrection." With this hope, then, even as we mourn the loss of our Dearest Mother, let us also remember with gladness the JOY and PEACE Mother now experiences, being united to God.

Mother was always grateful for the generosity of the people of your great nation. The Missionaries of Charity echoes this gratitude for all the material and spiritual help we have received from your people for our mission among the poorest of the poor. Your assurance of continued support, especially of prayer, is greatly appreciated. Mother will surely help us and intercede for us to God. When we live her spirit, she will be very close to us. Let us unite in Mother's name and continue to do the beautiful service of love which she has started.

Assuring you of my prayers and God's blessing,

God bless you,

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