THE BOARD OF
CANYON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
STATE OF IDAHO
CANYON COUNTY ADOPTION DAY PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS: On any given day, nearly 1,200 children are in foster care throughout the State of Idaho, and more than 331,000 children are in foster care across the United States. Although many of these children return to their birth families, others cannot be reunified and need permanent, safe, and loving families; and

WHEREAS: Approximately 227 children throughout the State of Idaho are currently awaiting adoption. Each year, adoptive parents open their hearts, homes, and families to these children and adolescents; and

WHEREAS: During the past year, Child and Family Services within the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare has finalized 229 adoptions; and

WHEREAS: November 21, 2026, marks the 27th annual National Adoption Day. Because the courts will be closed on November 21st, Canyon County will proudly observe National Adoption Day on November 20, 2026. This occasion recognizes and celebrates parents and children who have formed permanent families and honors the commitment to children in need of safe and lasting homes. We also express our appreciation for the dedicated professionals in Child and Family Services within the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare;

NOW, THEREFORE: We, the Canyon County Board of Commissioners, do hereby proclaim November 20, 2026, as

CANYON COUNTY ADOPTION DAY

We call upon the citizens of Canyon County to observe this day; to affirm that every child deserves a permanent, stable, and loving home; and to support the families who commit to providing children with lifelong care and belonging. Let us unite as a community to help ensure that every child has a permanent family and is given hope, opportunity, and the support needed to pursue their dreams.

Board of Commissioners, Canyon County, Idaho

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Attest: Jess Urresti, Clerk

By: JR088
Deputy Clerk

Date: 11·17·26