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6 **IN THE SUPERIOR COURT**
7 **OF THE**
8 **COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS**

9 In the Matter of the Petition for the)
10 Adoption of:)

FCD AD CIVIL ACTION NO. ___-_____

11 _____)
12 Minor Child(ren))

PETITION FOR ADOPTION

13 By:)

14 _____)
15 Petitioner(s))

16 Pursuant to 8 CMC § 1401, (Name(s) of Petitioner(s)) _____

17 _____ hereafter referred to as "Petitioner(s)", hereby petition this Court for
18 a decree granting him/her/them the right to adopt (Name of Minor Child(ren)) _____
19 _____, the above-named minor child(ren), and terminating
20 the parental rights of the natural (mother/father/parents) of the child(ren).

21 In support of this Petition, Petitioner(s) hereby declare that:

- 22 1. (Name(s) of Petitioner(s)) _____,
23 the Petitioner(s), is/are citizen of (Citizenship of Petitioner) _____.
24 Petitioner(s) is a resident of _____ and
25 have been since _____.
2. Petitioner(s) is/are adult having reached the age of majority.

- 1 3. Petitioner(s) is/are the (Relationship between Petitioner(s) and Minor Child(ren)) .
2 _____ of the minor child(ren) sought to be adopted.
- 3 4. The minor child(ren)'s biological mother is (Name of Natural Mother) _____
4 _____ and the minor child(ren)'s biological father is
5 (Name of Natural Father) _____
6 and are married/were never married.
- 7 5. The minor child(ren) stated in this Petition is (Age of Minor Child(ren)) _____
8 _____ years old, born on (Date of Birth) _____
9 in (Place of Birth) _____. A certified copy of the
10 minor child(ren)'s birth certificate is attached as Exhibit "A".
- 11 6. The biological father, (Name of Natural Father) _____
12 _____, is stated/is not stated on the minor child(ren)'s birth
13 certificate.
- 14 7. The biological mother/father/mother and father consented, in writing, to this
15 adoption and the consent is attached as Exhibit "B".
- 16 8. The minor child(ren) to be adopted has consented, in writing, to this adoption and
17 the consent is attached as Exhibit "C". [NOTE: Include this ONLY if the child(ren)
18 to be adopted is over ten (10) years old.]
- 19 9. The minor child(ren) has been living with the Petitioner(s) in his home since
20 _____ to present.
- 21 10. No Orders affecting custody, adoption, or parental rights of the Petitioner(s) to the
22 minor child(ren) have been previously entered in any Court.
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1 11. Petitioner(s) is/are fit to adopt the above-named minor child(ren) and is in the best
2 position to provide the minor child(ren) with genuine love, care and affection. The
3 Petitioner(s) has shown this by providing for the minor child(ren) since _____
4 and has treated him/he/they as his/her/they own natural child(ren).

5 12. Petitioner(s) has the ability to provide the minor child(ren) with full financial
6 support in that he/she/they is/are gainfully employed/unemployed. Petitioner(s)
7 will also provide the minor child(ren) with a good formal education, health and
8 medical coverage and insurance, as well as other facilities and resources necessary
9 for the nurture and care of the minor child(ren), including but not limited to the
10 basic necessities such as food, clothing and shelter. Petitioner(s) lives in a
11 house/apartment with _____ room in (Place of Residence) _____
12 _____.

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14 13. Petitioner(s) desire that the relationship of parent and child(ren) be established
15 between him/her/them and the minor child(ren), it being in the minor child(ren)'s
16 best interest to be adopted by the Petitioner(s).

17 14. The minor child(ren) is without property, either real or personal, and comes to this
18 adoption with no property of value.

19 15. The Petitioner(s) desire that the legal name of the minor child(ren) be changed to
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23 WHEREFORE, Petitioner(s) respectfully pray that this Honorable Court enter a decree:

- 24 1. That the minor child(ren) shall be adopted by Petitioner(s);
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2. That it be declared that the minor child(ren) shall be the legal child(ren) of the Petitioner(s) for the purpose of support, inheritance, and all other legal consequences;
3. That the minor child(ren) shall have the same rights as if he/she was the natural child of the Petitioner(s);
4. That the name of the minor child(ren) shall be legally changed to and thereafter he/she shall be known as _____ and the child(ren)'s birth certificate shall be amended to reflect the new name and to include the Petitioners' name(s) as the father/mother of the child(ren); and
5. For such further relief and the entry of such additional orders as may be necessary or appropriate in this matter.

Dated this ____ day of _____, 20__.

Petitioner(s)