

National Adoption Month Proclamation

WHEREAS, The county of Chatham recognizes the importance of giving children permanent, safe and loving families through adoption; and

WHEREAS, More than 123,000 children in the United States foster care system are waiting to be adopted; and

WHEREAS, More than 3,100 children in North Carolina are waiting for permanent families; and

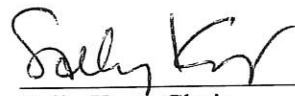
WHEREAS, More than 16 children are legally free for adoption and six awaiting forever families children in Chatham County; and

WHEREAS, To help these children find permanent, nurturing families, Chatham County will join other organizations to celebrate all adoptions and recognize National Adoption Month; and to acknowledge the 59 adoptions of local children since 2008; and

WHEREAS, This effort along with similar celebrations in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico will offer children the chance to live with stable and loving families and encourage other dedicated individuals to make a powerful difference in the lives of a child through adoption.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chatham County Board of Commissioners of North Carolina, by virtue of the authority vested in us, do hereby proclaim November 2010, as NATIONAL ADOPTION MONTH in this county, and in so doing, urge all citizens to join in a national effort to raise awareness about the importance of adoption.

Adopted this 15th day of November, 2010.



Sally Kost, Chair

ATTEST:



Elizabeth Plata, Deputy Clerk to the Board
Chatham County Board of Commissioners

