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1 WHEREAS, there are more than 2,000 foster children in New Mexico waiting
2 to be adopted.

3 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL, THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF
4 ALBUQUERQUE:

5 Section 1. The City Council hereby recognizes and shows its appreciation
6 and support to those families who have adopted children from foster care
7 through the Children Youth and Families Department (“CYFD”) and seeks to
8 encourage more families to adopt foster children.

9 Section 2. The City Council hereby proclaims the 4rd Saturday of June,
10 “Albuquerque Adoption Appreciation Day” as a day for the City of
11 Albuquerque and all of its citizens to recognize and show their appreciation
12 and support to these families.

13 Section 3. The City shall provide annual passes to the Zoo, Biopark, and
14 Explora to families of children who are adopted in Bernalillo County on
15 National Adoption Day, whether or not the children were from private
16 adoptions or CYFD adoptions, and the City shall provide annual passes to the
17 Zoo, Biopark, and Explora to families of children who are adopted in Bernalillo
18 County through the Children Youth and Families Department (“CYFD”)
19 whether or not the adoption occurs on National Adoption Day. The annual
20 passes must be claimed within sixty days of the end of the month in which the
21 family obtains their Adoption Certificate.

22 Section 4. The Administration is encouraged to hold a separate event at
23 the Zoo for families with children currently in foster care, but the event will not
24 be publicized due to the confidentiality laws regarding children in foster care.

25 Section 5. Up to thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) is hereby designated
26 within the City Council Projects activity to carry out the purposes of this
27 resolution.

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