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Court to Give Kids the Gift of Family on Adoption Thursday

CENTRAL ISLIP, N.Y. - On Thursday, November 20, 2003, the Suffolk County Family Court, located in the Cohalan Court Complex, Central Islip, New York, will be holding its 4th annual "Adoption Thursday" - a special adoption day when the Family Court will expedite cases to make the upcoming holiday season extra special for as many children and their adoptive parents as possible.

The Honorable David Freundlich, Supervising Judge of the Suffolk County Family Court, will be presiding and his court will be open for business at 8:00 a.m. to facilitate the extra cases.

According to Judge Freundlich, "Our Family Court staff does a wonderful job year round in expediting adoptions but they all take

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pride at this time of the year in extending themselves to have an "Adoption Thursday" which is extra special for almost four times the number of families than we usually have."

"Adoptions are one of the happiest and most satisfying proceedings we have in the Suffolk County courts," said Acting District Administrative Judge Robert Webster Oliver. "As we head towards the holiday season, I am especially grateful to Judge Freundlich, his staff and our Family Court personnel for their hard work and very special efforts in making "Adoption Thursday" a reality."

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