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FFAS Prohibition on Child Buying Policy

In accordance with Hague Standard 96.36(a) and (b), Forever Families Adoption Services, Inc.:

§96.36(a) prohibits its employees and agents from giving money or other consideration, directly or indirectly, to a child's parent(s), other individual(s), or an entity as payment for the child or as an inducement to release the child. If permitted or required by the child's country of origin, an agency or person may remit reasonable payments for activities related to the adoption proceedings, pre-birth and birth medical costs, the care of the child, the care of the birth mother while pregnant and immediately following birth of the child, or the provision of child welfare and child protection services generally. Permitted or required contributions shall not be remitted as payment for the child or as an inducement to release the child.

§96.36(b) has written policies and procedures in place reflecting the prohibitions in paragraph (a) of this section and reinforces them in its employee training program.

Prospective Adoptive Parent(s) Acknowledgement and Compliance Statement

I/We, _____ (Applicant 1) and _____ (Applicant 2) has/have read and understand(s) Hague Standards §96.36 (a) and (b) as outlined above. I/We also understand Forever Families Adoption Services, Inc. strictly adheres to §96.36 (a) and (b), for both international and domestic adoptions, and has the authority to immediately terminate any Adoption Services Contract with the Applicant(s) for violation of this policy. Should contract termination occur, all fees paid to Forever Families Adoption Services, Inc. will be forfeited.

Applicant 1 Signature: _____ Date: _____

Applicant 2 Signature: _____ Date: _____

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