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7 IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

8 IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO

9 FAMILY LAW DIVISION

10 In the Matter of the Adoption Petition of) Case No.
11 *(name of stepparent)*)
Adopting Stepparent of) Petition for Freedom From Parental
12 *(name of child or children to be adopted)*) Custody and Control
13 Minor Child(ren).) [Family Code §§7822 and 7825] _____
14) **CITATION**

15 THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA:

16 TO: *(NAME OF OTHER PARENT)*

17 You are hereby cited and required to appear before the Judge of this Court in
18 Department _____, thereof, located at 3341 Power Inn Road, Sacramento, California 95926,
19 on _____, at the hour of _____ of that day, then and there to show cause, if any you
20 have, why the petition to declare *(name of child(ren))* free from your parental custody and control should not
21 be granted.

22 The petition is filed for the purpose of freeing the child for adoption by their stepfather
23 *(name of stepparent)*. At said hearing, the Judge shall read the petition to the father, if present, and may
24 explain the effect of granting the petition, and upon request of the father, shall explain any term or
25 allegation contained therein and the nature of the proceedings, its procedures, and possible
26 circumstances.

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The parent has the right to be represented by counsel in this case and the Judge shall advise the parent of this right to counsel, and shall consider whether appointment of counsel for the minor is necessary. If the parent appears and is unable to afford counsel, the court shall appoint counsel to represent the parent, unless the parent knowingly and intelligently waives counsel.

The court may continue the proceeding for not to exceed 30 days to make an appointment of counsel, or to enable counsel to acquaint himself with the case or to determine whether the parent is unable to afford counsel at his own expense.

DATED: _____

(SEAL) _____, County Clerk

BY: _____, Deputy