

In the
FAMILY COURT
of St. Louis County, Missouri



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IN THE MATTER OF:

_____ Cause Number

_____ Petitioner(s)

_____ Division

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**JUDGMENT AND DECREE OF RECOGNITION OF ADOPTION
OF CHILD IN FOREIGN COUNTRY**

Cause called. Appearances: Petitioner(s) in person and by their attorney; the minor, in person; Guardian ad Litem, in person.

Cause heard and submitted. Whereupon, the Court finds by clear, cogent and convincing evidence that the following facts are true:

1. The minor child, _____, born _____, in _____ has been adopted by the Act of the Country of _____, pursuant to its law and as of _____ was held to be for every purpose the lawful child of _____ as though born to Petitioner(s).
2. Such foreign adoption is recognized by this court pursuant to RSMo. 453.170.
3. Recognition of the foreign adoption is in the best interests of the child.
4. The adopted person has migrated to the United States with the approval of the United States Government.
5. Such adoption shall have the same force and effect as an adoption under the provisions of Chapter 453 RSMo., including inheritance rights. The Court further finds that the adoption is in the best interest of the minor child.

Therefore, it is ordered, adjudged and decreed that from the date of this decree, said minor child shall, for all legal intents and purposes, be the child of Petitioner(s) and that the name of the child be changed to _____.

The Guardian ad Litem is allowed \$ _____ as a judgment in favor of the Guardian ad Litem against Petitioner(s). Cost is assessed against the Petitioner(s).

Date _____

Judge, Family Court Division of Circuit Court
St. Louis County, Missouri