



Reaching Out thru International Adoption, Inc.

Together...we can make a difference in the life of a child

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Dear Families, Friends and Colleagues,

The Board of Directors of Reaching Out thru International Adoption, Inc. announces that effective August 30, 2007, Jeannene Smith has resigned her position as Corporate President of the Agency and is no longer involved in any aspect of its continuing operation. Respected by many for her efforts in adoption reform, legislation and child advocacy, Ms. Smith's future plans are expected to continue in that direction.

Reaching Out's Board of Directors is simply changing the name of the corporation to ChildPromise, Inc. in order to better reflect our broadening desire to help more children and families in the world. This Agency will continue to meet all state, federal and international requirements, as it has always attempted to do, in preparation for expansion into more countries as well as for Hague accreditation. The Agency will continue to be a non-profit corporation. The reorganization will not jeopardize the cases of families currently in process and caseworkers remain fully committed to our families. New staff will be added to support the families and the Agency's developing mission to fulfill a promise to children of all ages and to sibling groups for families to call their own.

Under the continuing leadership of Executive Director, Sonia Baxter, ChildPromise, Inc. will seek to identify families who are committed and uniquely qualified to adopt children who wait. "Every child holds within him or her the potential to change the world," says Ms. Baxter. "A family is the best environment in which that potential may be nurtured and released."

Increased regulation and rising costs are placing intercountry adoption at a crossroads. Orphaned children will continue to need families and the solutions to meet that need are becoming more complex. Reaching Out now and ChildPromise, Inc. as of October 1, 2007 will continue our focused corporate pledge to be committed to children of promise and to families who promise to love them. Please communicate with us if you have any questions regarding how to help the children of the world who live without parents.

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