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STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES LANSING

MARIANNE UDOW DIRECTOR

January 17, 2007

Mr. and Mrs. Atwood 13613 Thornapple Ave. Grant, Mi. 49327

RE: Adoption of Alyssa and Amber Keast

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Atwood,

The adoption worker has provided information to the Michigan Children's Institute regarding your request to adopt the above named child. Following review of the information, it is the decision of the Department of Human Services that adoptive placement in your home would not be in the best interests of the child. The reasons for this decision not to approve you for adoption are summarized in the enclosed document.

The adoption agency will be instructed to proceed with its efforts to place the children in an adoptive home through proper legal proceedings.

Section 45 of the Michigan Adoption Code permits someone who wishes to adopt a child to file a petition in court if they believe that they have been arbitrarily and capriciously denied consent to adoption. If you wish to pursue this option, it is recommended that you consult with an attorney.

Sincerely,

William J. Johnson, Superintendent

Michigan Children's Institute

cc: Suzanne Adams,

Bethany Christian Services, Fremont

Attorney Shon A. Cook