# NOTICE OF HEARING – FOSTER PARENT

Appendix A

In the Matter of the Welfare of the Child(ren) of:

#### HEARING INFORMATION

A hearing will take place in court:

Hearing Address Hearing Type	
Time of Hearing  Judicial Officer Name	
Name County District Court	
Courtroom A	
Court Location Address	
Court Phone Number	

#### WHY YOU ARE GETTING NOTICE OF THE HEARING

You have been served with this Notice of Hearing because you are the foster parent for the child(ren). According to Minnesota law, **foster parents are "participants" and have a special role in these court proceedings**.

Foster parents often have valuable information about how the child is doing physically, emotionally, educationally, and socially. This kind of information may help the court to understand the child's needs. If you have been supervising visits between the child and a parent, you may also have some information about the parent's progress to give to the court.

## **PARTICIPANT RIGHTS**

As a participant, you have the right to:

- Receive a copy of the *Petition* regarding this Juvenile Protection Matter.
- Receive notice of all hearings (but only if you keep your address updated with court administration).
- Attend all hearings, unless excluded by the Court.
- Be represented by an attorney.
- Be heard and offer information at each hearing.

### HOW TO PARTICIPATE IN THE HEARING

You may attend **in person** and have the right to be heard.

- When you get to the courtroom, please tell the Assistant County Attorney that you are present so they can tell the judge.
- You may be able to participate in the hearing **by phone**. Contact court administration at the number listed above *at least two business days before the hearing* to see if this option is available.

To receive an eReminder for future court dates via e-mail or text, visit <a href="www.mncourts.gov/Hearing-eReminders.aspx">www.mncourts.gov/Hearing-eReminders.aspx</a> or scan the QR code to enroll.



Dated: October 29, 2019 Mary P. Dalbec

Carver County Court Administrator