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Foster Mom Receives First Maura D. Corrigan Foster Family Lifetime Achievement Award

Who: Foster mom Ramah Emily Krontz will be the first recipient of the Maura D. Corrigan Foster Family Lifetime Achievement Award for Exemplary Service to Michigan's Children and Families. Former Justice Maura D. Corrigan will present the award at Adoption Day festivities at the Hall of Justice. Krontz, 87, has served as a foster parent for 12 years and has fostered 38 children.

What: The award, sponsored by the Michigan Supreme Court, was established in honor of Corrigan, who as Chief Justice, focused on reuniting parents with children in foster care. Corrigan, who also served as the head of Michigan's Department of Human Services, is responsible for serving some of Michigan's most vulnerable citizens and has been widely credited for improving the child welfare system.

When: Monday, November 26, 2018, at 10:00 a.m.
Supreme Court Courtroom, 6th Floor
925 W. Ottawa, Lansing

Why: With the theme of "Giving Thanks for Families," courts statewide will celebrate Adoption Month, 2018. Held on or near the Tuesday before Thanksgiving each year, Adoption Month has become a holiday tradition, highlighting the importance of adoption and the needs of children in foster care. Many courts will finalize adoptions, while others will hold informational events to reach potential adoptive parents.

The Court broadcasts oral arguments and other hearings [live](#) via streaming video technology. Streaming will begin shortly before the ceremony begins.

A list of statewide events is available [here](#).

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