



## **Adult Child Reference Request**

Date: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Dear: \_\_\_\_\_;

As you may be aware, your parents, \_\_\_\_\_, have expressed an interest in becoming a foster or adoptive parent with the Florida Department of Children and Families. The role and responsibility of caring for a child who has been abused, neglected or abandoned, is an extremely important one that requires dedication, patience and nurturing. Please reflect on your own childhood and upbringing, your current relationship with your parent (s) and, if applicable, the nature of the relationship between your parents and your children. Answer each question below as candidly as you can, using additional paper if necessary.

Thank you sincerely for taking the time to complete this questionnaire.

1.) As a child, describe how your parent(s) demonstrated their love to you.

2.) How did your parents resolve their differences? Between the brothers and sisters?

3.) How were you disciplined?

4.) Were you involved in extracurricular activities and did your parent(s) encourage and/or support your involvement?

5.) What importance did your parents place on school attendance and grades? Did he/she attend school conferences and activities?

6.) Was alcohol or drug abuse, or domestic violence present in your home? Please explain.

7.) How old were you when you left home and why did you leave? \_\_\_\_\_

8.) Were your parent (s) supportive of your decision to leave home? \_\_\_\_\_

9.) What is your current relationship with your parent(s)? How frequent is your contact with him/her?

10.) If you have children, does this parent(s) ever provide child care for you? Do you think your parent (s) have the energy level to provide for children?

11.) What special skills do you feel your parent(s) have in dealing successfully with children?

12.) What role, if any will you play with the children placed in their home?