Washington, D.C.- Congressman Steve King (R-IA) has joined with the Congressional Coalition on Adoption Institute to honor Dee and Kenny McIntyre of Glenwood as 2011 Angels in Adoption awardees. The McIntyre's were nominated for this honor in recognition of their commitment to meeting the needs of both foster and adoptive children and foster and adoptive parents. Angels in Adoption awardees from throughout the country were recognized for their outstanding advocacy on behalf of adoption issues during a series of events held in Washington last week.

Congressman Steve King joined Dee McIntyre and two of her four adopted children, Samuel and Dylan, for the "Angels in Adoption House Pin Ceremony" honoring "Angels in Adoption" awardees.

"Through their actions, Dee and Kenny McIntyre have made life better for children in western Iowa," said King. "Not only have the McIntyre's adopted four children, but Dee also helps meet

the needs of adoptive parents in her community by coordinating a support group for foster and adoptive parents in Mills County. The McIntyre's have truly earned the title of 'Angels in Adoption', and it gives me great pleasure to honor them for this achievement."

Dee and Kenny McIntyre began their adoption journey 10 years ago when they first began fostering children. Since that time, the McIntyre's have adopted four children, including three children they have fostered, adding two sons, Samuel and Dylan, and two daughters, Abby and Aubrey, to their family. These children, who come from very different backgrounds, are all flourishing under the McIntyre's care. Dee McIntyre has further demonstrated the McIntyre's commitment to adoption and foster care by coordinating a support group for foster and adoptive parents in Mills County. In this role, she has been instrumental in bringing relevant training to the area.

The Congressional Coalition on Adoption Institute (CCAI) is a 501(c) 3 nonpartisan organization dedicated to raising awareness about the tens of thousands of orphans and foster children in the United States and the millions of orphans around the world in need of permanent, safe, and loving homes through adoption.

The Angels in Adoption™ program is CCAI's signature public awareness campaign and provides an opportunity for all members of the U.S. Congress to honor the good work of their constituents who have enriched the lives of foster children and orphans in the United States and abroad.

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