NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR ADOPTION TO BE HONORED AT RESOLVE’S NIGHT OF HOPE

RESOLVE: The National Infertility Association Recognizes Outstanding Contributions to the Family Building Community with the 2013 Hope Awards

(McLean, VA, September 25, 2013) – RESOLVE: The National Infertility Association is pleased to announce that the National Council for Adoption (NCFA) is being awarded the Hope Award for Achievement. NCFA representatives will accept the award at RESOLVE’s Night of Hope Gala on November 6, 2013, at the Lighthouse at Chelsea Piers in New York City, hosted by actress and activist Elisabeth Rohm. As the organization that supports and provides a voice for people diagnosed with infertility, RESOLVE established the Hope Awards to recognize professionals, companies, volunteers and the media who have demonstrated leadership in the infertility field or have made a positive impact in the lives of people struggling with infertility.

“How exciting it is to be recognized by RESOLVE for our advocacy on behalf of those touched by adoption. RESOLVE is a frequent partner of NCFA on many of our initiatives – a partnership that has contributed richly to our success – and we are honored to be a part of such a special event,” said Chuck Johnson, NCFA president and CEO.

The National Council for Adoption (NCFA) is committed to the belief that every child deserves to thrive in a nurturing, permanent family. NCFA’s mission is to meet the diverse needs of children, birthparents, adopted individuals, adoptive families, and all those touched by adoption through global advocacy, education, research, legislative action, and collaboration. NCFA reaches the RESOLVE community through its Prospective Adoptive Parents Day, an annual one-day educational event for anyone interested in learning more about the positive option of adoption, those considering pursuing adoption, or those in the beginning stages of the adoption process who benefit from gaining the knowledge and resources they need to move forward. NCFA and RESOLVE also work closely together to ensure the Adoption Tax Credit remains a permanent credit for all those looking to build their family through adoption.

“RESOLVE is delighted to recognize the National Council for Adoption for its commitment to advancing adoption in the U.S.,” said Barbara Collura, RESOLVE’s President/CEO. “We are honored to work alongside NCFA in Congress and appreciate the vast resources they have developed for adoption professionals, adoptive parents, birth parents, and adoptees. NCFA is a credible and respected resource for the infertility community and we are proud to honor them at the Night of Hope.”
The Night of Hope attracts more than 300 leaders and influencers in the family building community. Past Hope Award honorees include Bill and Giuliana Rancic, *The View, Redbook* Magazine, *Self* Magazine, Congressional Coalition on Adoption Institute and Church & Dwight, makers of First Response®.

For press information in regard to covering the Night of Hope event, contact Andy Schwarz at aschwarz@resolve.org. For more information on the Night of Hope, visit www.resolve.org/nightofhope.

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**About RESOLVE: The National Infertility Association:** Established in 1974, RESOLVE: The National Infertility Association is a non-profit organization with the only established, nationwide network mandated to promote reproductive health and to ensure equal access to all family building options for men and women experiencing infertility or other reproductive disorders. One in eight U.S. couples of childbearing age is diagnosed with infertility. RESOLVE addresses this public health issue by providing community to these women and men, connecting them with others who can help, empowering them to find resolution and giving voice to their demands for access to all family building options. For more information, visit [www.RESOLVE.org](http://www.RESOLVE.org).