



## **BIRTPARENT RIGHTS**

1. The right to be treated with dignity and respect for your loving decision.
2. The right to an open and honest relationship with the adoptive family.
3. The right to participate in all phases of the adoption planning.
4. The right to select the family who you are interested in having raise and parent your child.
5. The right to have a full set of options in selecting an adoptive family for your baby.
6. The right to meet and interview as many prospective adoptive families as you need to in order to make the best decision for you and your baby.
7. The right to see the home and environment in which your child will be raised.
8. The right to receive ongoing counseling and support throughout the adoption process and following the birth of the baby.
9. The right to ask questions of the adopting family, and to receive full identifying information about them before deciding to place your child with them.
10. The right to see, hold, and spend time with the baby at birth.
11. The right to request ongoing information and contact with the adopting family through direct visits, letters, picture exchange, and/or phone calls.