



National Parents' Day

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Dear Leaders,

We want to ask your help in selecting the National Parents of the Year. UPF-USA is pleased to serve as the coordinating organization for Parents Day 2016 together with our affiliated providential organizations.

This is the time to recognize and celebrate the very best people you know who have given sacrificially of their lives, including their time, financial and emotional resources, and more, to fulfill that uniquely special and God-given role of being a father and mother.

Criteria for Parents' Day nominees:

1. Exemplify qualities of sacrificial love;
2. Have overcome major obstacles (emotional, physical, financial, etc.) to provide for the personal development and happiness of children;
3. Exhibit qualities of personal moral virtue and/or religious commitment; and,
4. Have a noteworthy record of contributions to the family and community.

National Parents' Day became law in 1994, when President Bill Clinton established the Fourth Sunday of July as a recurring and perennial day of commemoration. Since then, churches and community groups across the country have held annual activities designed to celebrate and strengthen families and to honor outstanding parents in their communities.

The genesis of this took place one year earlier on July 28, 1993, when Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon, as Co-Founder and Chairwoman of the Women's Federation for World Peace, addressed members of the U.S. Congress on Capitol Hill. She was introduced by Senator Orrin Hatch of Utah. The day had been proclaimed "True Parents' Day" by Senator Trent Lott of Mississippi, who in his designation statement urged his "colleagues in the U.S. Senate, and all citizens of our Nation to recognize and support True Parents Day and the restoration of God-centered families in our society."

Please send nominations on or before July 5, 2016 at the above address or you can nominate online at https://unification.formstack.com/forms/parents_day_nominations_2016. We appreciate your prompt response given the tight deadline.

The recognition of National Parents of the Year will be given in a celebration and reception on Thursday, July 14, from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. at the Rayburn House Office Building on Capitol Hill.

Sincerely,

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