# Hello we are... Molly & Chad



Graceful adoptions.





## Our Hopes and Dreams...

When we dream about our future, we see a strong, close, loving family. We dream of guiding our children and watching them grow into productive adults. We look forward to reading books, playing outside, and helping them discover who they are. We dream of the day that we get to juggle homework, family meals, and after school activities.

Our child will grow up with stability and love. We have a strong commitment to our marriage and both of us will be active engaged parents who our child will always know they can count on. We will offer our child a safe home where they have space to play and be themselves. We will invest time and energy into our child's life making sure that resources are available to them and that their emotional needs are met. Our child will have access to educational opportunities, travel experiences, healthy food, and will have the resources to be involved in any extracurricular activity they want. Most importantly, our child will grow up in a nurturing environment surrounded by unconditional love. We love our child already and there is nothing that can ever change that.

We view adoption as a choice rooted in love. We understand this may be a scary time and we hope you feel secure in your decision that you are making the right choice for your child's future. We greatly respect you and admire your selflessness. We hope you feel respected, supported, and comforted throughout your adoption journey and beyond.

Both of us had childhoods where we felt loved and supported and we are so lucky to have that same support system as adults. We cannot wait to share all we have to offer with a child. A child has been hoped, wished and prayed for every day.

Thank you for considering us for the privilege to raise your child!

Molly & Chad











## Our values and beliefs as parents...

Love - Everyone needs to be loved and shown that they are cared about. We are very generous with our affection and the words "I love you" are spoken in our home every day. We also go out of the way to perform acts of kindness to ensure the other feels loved and cared for. We will talk to our child about how much we love and appreciate their birth parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, and cousins. And of course, we will never let a day pass without expressing our affection to our child. "I love you" will be said, notes will be packed in lunch boxes, and hugs will be given for no reason at all. Our home will be filled with love and affection.

Family - Above all, what makes our family special is their dependability. We are blessed with a rock solid support system who would drop anything in a moment's notice to be there for us. Our child is already loved by our whole family and they will be born into that support. When our child has a challenge, they will know they have a full team in their corner. Every life achievement and milestone will be celebrated and cheered. Just recently, we moved in a very quick timeline and both of our families dropped everything to help make it happen and to make the transition as smooth as possible. Our child will not only have a loving mother and father, they will enjoy a loving extended family.

**Determination** - Life is not always easy and giving up is not an option. In order to get through life's challenges, hard work and determination is a must. We have learned to be thankful for our blessings and we don't dwell on the things that may appear as unfair. We will foster determination in our child by encouraging them to take on challenges and praising their initiative when they do. We want our child to know that it's OK to try at something and fail, but failure does not mean it's OK to give up. Our child will learn from a young age how to work through failure so that when he/she experiences disappointment, they do not become disheartened easily.

**Education** - Our child will be allowed to grow in any direction that is fulfilling to them. We are committed to providing our child with access to schools, programs, and opportunities that will help them learn and discover their life's passion. Chad and I are college educated and will certainly encourage our child to pursue higher education, however, if our child wants to pursue a different path we will support their ambition. Our only requirement is that our child becomes a productive member of society. The paths to get there are limitless! We will make sure they have the support and every opportunity along the way.

**Enjoying Life** - We believe in having fun, laughing often and making the most of every day. We love being in our new home, however, we also enjoy the growth from trying new things and discovering new places. We can't wait to experience everything life has to offer as a family; swimming pools, pumpkin patches, apple orchards, horseback riding, art museums, amusement parks, zoos, and science centers. We can't wait to share family vacations to the beach and lake. Molly's family goes somewhere warm each year. Chad's parents own a lake home where the family likes to spend long weekends boating, fishing, and swimming. Chad has grown up fishing and playing at the same beach with his family since he was a child. We look forward to making a life-time of sweet memories together.

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· Both non-smokers

#### Hobbies:

#### Adoptive Mother:

Cooking, running, yoga, spending time with friends and family, reading, pop culture, cycling, traveling

#### Adoptive Father:

Running, golfing, watching sports, reading, spending time with friends and family, exercising, cycling, music

#### Professions:

Adoptive Mother: Administrative

Services Officer

Adoptive Father: Vice President

**Business Banking** 

#### Education Level:

Adoptive Mother: Bachelor's Degree Adoptive Father: Bachelor's Degree

### Our home...

We understand the place we call "home" will be part of our child's foundation. We take this responsibility seriously and will provide a home filled with happy memories and one where our child will find a relaxed atmosphere of comfort and support. Schedules and routines will help our child feel secure and safe. We envision our child having lots of neighborhood friends - running in and out of the house and yard, with plenty of snacks always on hand.

Shortly after we started the adoption process, we unexpectedly found our dream home where we knew all this, and more, would be true. We have since moved into our new home in a quiet neighborhood with some of the best schools in the state. Because it is new construction, we have a blank slate to turn our home into anything we want!

We take pride in our home. It is well cared for and we put attention to detail into its decorating and planning. Fresh flowers, photographs of our family, and snapshots from our travels are on display throughout our home. Of course, there is a fireplace perfect for hanging stockings at Christmas time. A basketball hoop will anchor the wide driveway and we will add a swing set in the back yard with a slide, swings, and even a fort!

Our neighborhood is full of young families. Kids run back and forth from each other's houses, there is a basketball hoop in most driveways and a swing set in many backyards. A large playground, a ball field, pools, lakes, trails and a golf course are all close by. We love to take off on our bikes early on a Saturday morning visiting the farmer's market for breakfast and meeting up with friends somewhere out and about. We love exploring new areas in our neighborhood, there is always some sort of concert or event to attend. Sunday mornings we spend a few hours relaxing. We get up early, make a pot of coffee, enjoy a big breakfast together, and read the newspaper while lounging in our pajamas. We can't wait for our child to be included in all this fun, especially Sunday morning breakfast with Mickey Mouse pancakes!

So far, our most treasured memory of our new home is picking it out knowing that it will be the place where we bring home our child. We are excited to decorate our child's room with soothing neutral tones and comfortable fabrics. It's a lovely spacious room, with a big window that lets in plenty of natural light. There will be a rocking chair where we will read stories and comfort them to sleep. Story books will be easily accessible so as they get older they can pick out their favorite books to read.

We can't wait to tell our child the story of how it all came to be! We will create wonderful childhood memories by spending quality time together as a family. We look forward to big events like celebrating milestones such as birthdays and going on family vacations to the lake, however, we also look forward to creating memories in our day-to-day activities. We can't wait to read stories, play dress up, build forts, and watch them discover the world around them. We can't wait for their laughter and personality to fill our home!





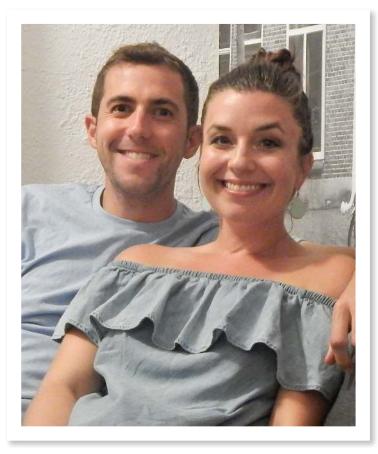
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## Our family...

We met in college more than 12 years ago. Molly was a freshman and Chad was a sophomore going dorm room-to-dorm room selling T-shirts for a student organization. Chad is handsome and funny, and Molly was instantly attracted to him and probably can still find the t-shirt she bought from him that day. Throughout that year we kept running into each other at various places, the cafeteria, campus, etc. A casual friendship was developed and the next year by homecoming we were dating.

As broke college students our favorite dates were to the Chinese buffet, catching movies with our student discount, and watching the greatest sitcom of all time, Seinfeld. From the beginning, we both knew what we had was special. By the time we both graduated from college we had been dating a little over three years and we knew we wanted to start our life together.

Chad is hardworking, dependable, and has a great sense of humor. He is a warm and kind person, making him a fantastic friend and partner. Molly is goal oriented and driven and takes great pride in helping to make our life run smoothly. She is funny and supportive, a caretaker by nature. As a couple our greatest strength is that we are partners. We are equally invested in all aspects of our marriage and one of us does not have a more dominant voice than the other. We respect each other and most importantly, we don't take ourselves too seriously.



Our family is FUN and we approach life with a positive attitude. We love to explore and be outside. We enjoy supporting local restaurants and events and love spending our time at the local farmer's market, riding our bikes, and being surrounded by our friends and family. We love to explore new places, so we stay on top of new things happening in our community and are always planning a vacation somewhere new that challenges us. We eat dinner together as a family every night, Friday nights are pizza and movie nights, we turn Sunday morning breakfast into a big event, we plan our vacations as a family, we watch our favorite television shows together, we pick out and buy a real Christmas tree each year the day after Thanksgiving, we put all our Christmas decorations up the day after Thanksgiving (not a day sooner or later), and on Christmas Eve we open new pajamas.

Growing up, our siblings were a huge part of both of our lives and as an adult they may be more important to us. Being an aunt and uncle is our favorite title! We enjoy all our time together and look forward to the cousins playing together. We want to pick out pumpkins for carving and decorating our front steps just like we did with our parents when we were kids, and then plan the best route to get the most candy on Halloween. For years we have helped our nieces and nephew dye Easter eggs, we can't wait until we are doing that with our own child. We look forward to our child telling us which tree is their favorite and decorating it together. Growing up, both of us had vacation spots that our families loved and returned to every year. We can't wait to find out what our own spot will be that we always want to return to together.

Our families are so excited and have been so incredibly supportive during our journey to become parents. Their support has made us the people that we are today. We are ready to give a child a loving, happy, healthy home.







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