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7 IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
8 IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
9 FAMILY LAW DIVISION

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11 In the Matter of the Adoption Petition of) Case No.
12 (*name of stepparent*),)
13 Adopting Stepparent of) **Order** for Freedom From Parental
14 (*name of child*),) Custody and Control
15 A Minor Child.) [Family Code §§7822 and 7825]

16 On the ____ day of _____, the verified petition now on file in this
17 Court came on for hearing, and a citation have been issued requiring (*name of other parent*) to
18 appear at this time and place, and due service of said citation having been made as directed by
19 the Court and required by law, and (*name of stepparent and parent retaining custody*) being
20 present in Court, and citee having failed to appear and evidence both oral and documentary
21 being offered and received and the written report of the probate investigator having been filed
22 herein and considered by the Court; the Court finds, by clear and convincing evidence:

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- 24 1. That said minor is under the age of eighteen years, to wit: of the age of 8 years;
 - 25 2. That said minor is a person defined in Subdivision (a)(1) of Family Code Section 7825
- 26 in that the child is one whose parent was convicted of a felony and that the facts of the felony
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1 and a prior felony are of such a nature so as to prove the unfitness of the parent;

2 3. That said minor is a person defined in Subdivision (a)(3) of Family Code Section 7822
3 in that the parent has left the child in the care and custody of the other parent for a period of over
4 one year without any provision for the child's support or without communication from the
5 parent with the intent on the part of that parent to abandon the child;
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7 4. That a return of custody to the parent would be detrimental to the minor and freeing
8 the minor from the custody of her parent is in the best interest of the minor.

9 NOW THEREFORE, THIS COURT ORDERS:

10 1) (*name of child*) is hereby declared and adjudged to be free from the custody and
11 control of (*name of parent*), said parent;

12 2) The petition is granted pursuant to California Family Code Sections, 7825
13 and 7822;
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15 3) Awarding custody of the minor child to the parent, (*name of parent*), would not
16 be in the best interests of the child;

17 4) The minor child is a proper subject for adoption; and

18 5) Continued custody by the mother and adoption by (*name of stepparent*) will serve the
19 best interest of the minor child.
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21 Dated: _____

22 JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT