



## **NADYA SULEMAN TO ACCEPT OFFER OF SPECIALIZED IN-HOME CARE FOR HER 14 CHILDREN FROM ANGELS IN WAITING**

*Offer Of Help Announced In Taping Of DR. PHIL, To Be Broadcast In  
Two Parts, Tuesday, March 10<sup>th</sup>, And Wednesday, March 11th*

(Los Angeles, CA, March 9, 2009)- Dr. Phil McGraw announced today in a special taping of DR. PHIL that Nadya Suleman, the mother of octuplets born in January in Southern California, has come to an agreement with Angels in Waiting to care for her 14 children. The arrangements have been finalized in the last week, at the urging of Dr. Phil, so that Ms. Suleman could provide the best possible care-giving solution in advance of the octuplets being released from the hospital.

Details of the agreement will be revealed in today's taping of DR. PHIL, to be broadcast in two parts on March 10<sup>th</sup> and March 11<sup>th</sup>. (Please check your local listings.)

According to Linda Conforti West, CEO and founder of Angels in Waiting, the agency initially will be providing around-the-clock services of skilled neonatal intensive care nurses who specialize in premature infant developmental care. Psychological and physical early therapies to help enhance all of the children's growth and well-being will also be provided. All Angels in Waiting services will commence as soon as the octuplets are released from the hospital and will be reevaluated every 6 months.

"From the beginning, my interest in this story has been guided by my concern for these children," said Dr. Phil. "Nadya realized that she had to make every effort to care for the octuplets as well as the 6 children at home in a way that proved that she understood the enormity and complexity of the task ahead. The plan in place, which could not have happened without attorney Gloria Allred and Angels in Waiting, affords all of the

Suleman children a chance to grow and thrive. The childcare will be completely transparent, so that Kaiser Permanente and Child Protective Services will see that Nadya is seriously committed to her family.”

Attorney Gloria Allred, who originally brought Angels in Waiting to Ms. Suleman's attention, added: “I am delighted that Nadya understood that the offer from Angels in Waiting was made in the best interest of the children, and I am equally delighted that we could find a way to provide help and support so that she could remain in her own neighborhood. Now that Ms. Suleman has found a suitable new home, Angels in Waiting has also agreed to help Nadya prepare the house properly to meet the children’s needs.”

Angels in Waiting is a non-profit 501C3 charitable organization established in 2005 to meet the needs of the most vulnerable population of America’s foster children, the forgotten medically fragile preemies, infants and children. Their mission is to move medically fragile foster care infants and young children into private residences under the care of Registered and Licensed Vocational nurses as their foster parents. AIW helps to save a child and ensure a childhood by ending the child’s time in the Foster Care System, finds permanent homes for them, and paves the way to better lives with continued resources for these vulnerable little ones.

The offer from Angels in Waiting, according to Ms. Allred, will allow Nadya Suleman to keep her family together without use of taxpayer funds, but the agency is dependant on donations from the public and corporate sectors. To contribute, go to the Angels in Waiting website: [www.angelesinwaitingusa.org](http://www.angelesinwaitingusa.org).

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