



# *Caitlin & Brian*

What better way to begin the most important letter we'll ever write than with a thank you?

Thank you so much for taking the time to meet us and learn about the love, care, and dedication we can give your child.

We are Caitlin and Brian, and we could not be more excited to be starting our adoption journey. We both strongly believe that — in this life of infinite possibilities — everything happens for a reason, and just by reading this letter, the paths of our lives have already crossed. We would be so incredibly grateful to move forward together with you.



## Our Story

We met in 2015 and became inseparable right away. We both kind of just knew we found "our person". Two years later we were married, and today we are still the same happy, supportive, complimentary, dorky, still-madly-in-love couple.

We call each other sweetie. We spend every Friday night snuggled on the couch watching a movie after digging into our favorite Chinese takeout. We love hearing about each other's office gossip. We take turns hiding a miniature bottle of hot sauce (nicknamed Lil' Tabasco) where the other will inevitably stumble across it and act surprised like it got there by itself. We say "I love you" whenever we leave the room as if we're still on our honeymoon. We get into silly moods and laugh until our stomachs hurt and tears run down our faces. "I'm so lucky I get you" we say to each other afterwards.

We respect and encourage each other. We go out of our way for one another. And we both know that we have so much of that same love to give.

## Brian about Caitlin

Caitlin is warm, kind, and gracious. She's intelligent and engaging, and her good nature is magnetic. She is selfless and genuine — the kind of person people want to confide in.

She's also driven and unfailingly dependable. She's a planner. She graduated with a degree in marketing and has her dream career as a director at a marketing firm where she oversees campaigns for national organizations and important public initiatives for the state of Ohio.

She loves starting her day with a good workout or yoga session, meeting up with friends for lunch, doing a little shopping, or just relaxing at home reading or indulging in her guilty pleasure: Bravo TV.

With her upbeat personality and patience, she's incredible with children. She spent years babysitting for kids of all ages, and she loves playing with her cousins and her friends' children whenever we visit.

Caitlin is the best person I know. She has the biggest heart and spreads joy wherever she is.



**Caitlin at a beach  
(her favorite place)**

## Caitlin about Brian

Brian is hilarious, brilliant, and thoughtful. People instantly gravitate towards his charisma and warmth. He is incredibly supportive, quick with a joke, and has a knack for solving problems.

He's fortunate to work-from-home in his career as an Accounts Executive at a national logistics company where he manages complex accounts.

He has an uncanny memory when it comes to sports statistics and loves recalling obscure facts about his favorite team, the New England Patriots. When he's not watching sports, he is likely outside advancing his golf game, working on a home improvement project, or playing guitar.

He is a natural nurturer and spent his high school summers working at a summer camp for children with special needs. He is also a magnet for babies and young children when visiting with family or friends, and I often joke that they see a kindred spirit in him.

Brian is gracious, genuine, and generous. Simply put, he is my favorite person.



**Brian at a golf course  
(his favorite place)**

## Our Home

We are very fortunate to have a beautiful home in a growing suburb with one of the best school districts in the state. We are situated on the first hole of a golf course at a gorgeous country club that serves as the central hub for our neighborhood, which is full of families. Our neighbors are a tight-knit group where there's always a cookout or party being planned.

What we really love about the club is imagining our future children making lasting memories with their friends on the playground, at the swimming pool, on the tennis and basketball courts, the golf course, and at all of the fun summer camps and family events. We feel so lucky to be where we are, but even luckier to be able to provide a childhood full of so many amazing moments.



## Our Franklin

It's beyond time you met the star of the show.

Franklin is the sweetest, snuggliest, most spirited boy. He is incredible with children. He will be an amazing companion and best friend to any child in our lives.



Franklin a.k.a.  
Fluffball Magoo

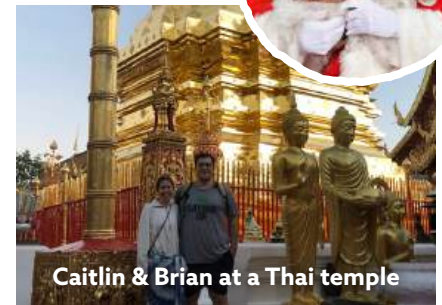


## Our Adventures

We absolutely love to travel. Caitlin caught the travel bug early on, falling in love with Europe during trips to France, Italy, and Spain with her mom. Once we were married, she wanted Brian to enjoy the same thrills of experiencing new places, cultures, and especially new local cuisines.

In the last few years we have been to Charleston, SC twice (we loved it that much!), visited Mexico, and took our dream vacation: a three week trip to Thailand. It was the one big trip we wanted to take before starting our family, and it was breathtaking. There were so many spectacular moments from that adventure, but the highlight was being able to visit an elephant sanctuary and spend the day caring for the animals and learning about their lives.

We have so many places we still want to explore, and we can't wait to bring out that sense of wonder and adventure in our future children.



Caitlin & Brian at a Thai temple



Caitlin & Brian at a Thai Elephant Sanctuary

## Our Families

We are very lucky to be surrounded by such big, vivacious families. Caitlin was born and raised in Ohio and a majority of her extended family still resides in the area, making the choice to plant our roots here very easy. It's also a great middle ground between Brian's family members a few hours north and south of us.

There's seemingly always a family event happening — weddings, baby showers, graduations, you name it. Holidays are also a busy but treasured time of the year for us. We host Thanksgiving every year (It's Brian's favorite holiday, and he loves to cook!). During Christmas week (Caitlin's favorite), we hop around to multiple family get-togethers that are always full of food, games, laughter, and love.

Caitlin & Brian's full extended families





## *Adoption Story*

From the beginning, we always knew we wanted to raise a family together. And from that first conversation, adoption was always discussed as an option for us. A big part of that was from Caitlin's experience with adoption in her family, as her aunt and uncle adopted their three sons. Witnessing their upbringing reinforced the idea that love extends beyond bloodlines.

While we have tried conceiving naturally, it simply hasn't happened for us yet. And with so much love in our hearts to give, we see no reason to delay in sharing this life of ours.

We are open to all types of adoption. We certainly have no restrictions on ethnicity, but we want to emphasize how strongly we understand the weight and responsibility of that choice. If we were lucky enough to have a child of a different race placed in our care, we would dedicate our lives to ensuring their background is cherished, celebrated, and a deep part of who they are — and who they become.

### **Thank you!**

We could not think of a bigger honor than being chosen to raise your child. From the bottom of our hearts, thank you so much for taking the time to learn about us. No matter where our paths go from here, we wish you the very best.

Sincerely,

*Caitlin & Brian*