Pearl S. Buck International Vietnam FAMILY INTRODUCTION SHEET

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Dear PSBI Sponsor,

On behalf of Pearl S. Buck International and our Country Office in Vietnam, we are very pleased to introduce Nguyen Phuong Anh and her foster family to you. It is called foster family as Phuong Anh lives in an orphanage that cares for orphans and displaced children. Nguyen Phuong Anh was born on May14th 2009 and she was abandoned when she was born. Fortunately, thanks to the great support of local authorities and with the approval of Hanoi Department of Labor, Invalids and Social Affair, she was turned over to the Center for Social Protection No.3 on 17th April 2020 and she has been living there since then.

Nguyen Phuong Anh is 12 years old with a height of 4'39'' and a weight of 68 lbs. At the orphanage, children get health checkup twice per year and so does she. Thanks to caring of housemothers in the orphanage, Phuong Anh has been in good health condition. At present, she is in grade 7th at Ly Nam De secondary school which is 1 kilometer from the orphanage. Therefore, she often goes to school by bike with her friends every day. Her academic performance at school is quite good. Among school subjects, she likes English most, but Maths seems not to draw her interest. At school, she is an active and sociable student. She takes part in many activities which are held at school such as sport activities, musical performance, singing and dancing. In the future, she would like to be a doctor to cure disease for the poor. Every day, Phuong Anh spends time on doing homework and revising lessons. In her free time, she often watches TV, helps housemothers with simple housework. Besides, she can take care of her younger foster siblings and play with them happily.

Established in 1992 by Hanoi Department of Labor, Invalids and Social Affairs, the Center for Social Protection No 3 aims at providing shelters and caring for disadvantaged children, orphans (1) who lost single or double parents while their relatives are too poor to foster them or those who are abandoned by their families and old people (2) who have no relative to take care of. Currently, there are 66 orphans from few months to 18 years old. Government provides USD 62 per child to cover 3 decent meals and sparing daily expenses. There is a clinic in the orphanage with 18 health workers to provide simple treatment for children and old people living there. For serious sickness, children and old people are referred to pubic hospital for treatment. The children at the age of graduation will have a chance to attend the vocational training class at vocational training schools if they do not pass the entrance exam to universities or colleges. The limited amount from the Government is not enough to cover nutritional expenses for the children with 3 frugal meals per day. Despite of many difficulties, the orphanage manages to bring the best things for these disadvantaged children. The Center for Social Protection No 3 highly appreciates charity and donation from interested organizations and individuals to support the children.

With support from the orphanage, Phuong Anh is very happy to share her life with you. We hope that you will establish an everlasting and meaningful relationship with her and the rest of the children at the orphanage. Thank you for your generosity and kindness.

Yours Sincerely,



Nguyen Thi Hanh Country Director



