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To Public Health Committee Co-Chairs Representative Terri Gerratana and Representative Susan Johnson and Members of The Public Health Committee:

As an adult adoptee, I'm writing to you to ask for your support of Raised Bill 5144, An Act Concerning Access to Birth Certificates and Parental Health Information for Adoptive Persons. To me, passage of this bill is appropriate and necessary both because it would allow me access to information about my life that I should have a right to know and otherwise wouldn't be able to, and because of the potential access to my medical history. I have two children who don't know part of their medical history, and I don't know any of mine. I sincerely hope that you'll vote for passage of this legislation; I think this should be a fundamental right that I have. Please vote for the bill and have it be both retroactive and prospective. Thank you for your attention and consideration.

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