

Dear Representatives,

I am a birthmother who was never promised anonymity. I have known my daughter for the last 29 years. I believe that my daughter, and every adopted person, has the right to their original record of birth. Sealed records are a violation of their human and civil rights. An adopted person shouldn't be discriminated against based on the year they were born.

I was also adopted in the state of New York and hope one day to have restored access to my own record of birth.

Thank you,
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