

## Support for SB 113



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# I write to you in support of adult adoptees having access to their original birth certificate's.

I am an adoptee myself, and interestingly so is the woman who adopted me, my mother. She was able to meet her biological mother, and she always told me that when I grew up I would be able to do the same. Some twenty years ago I was surprised to find out that I could not do the same.

By this time 2020 my biological Mother would most likely be in her sixties, and that is assuming that she was young when she had me, she could easily be much older. I have payed attention to the way women are with their babies, if my biological mother doesn't want to see me then that is all well and good, but if she does want to see me, I would imagine that she has some kind of anxiety over it, assuming that she is even still alive. For me, the worst part of not having access to my original birth certificate is knowing that the information is there. I have even walked inside the building which I know contains a record of my biological Mother's name, it is a very surreal feeling, and I cannot honestly say that there isn't any kind of anger in that feeling.

I've spoken to several other adoptees that were able to meet their biological mothers, many of them say that it is a very awkward experience, some of them have even said that they regret doing it. This information makes meeting my biological mother feel like something that I need to get over with, decisions over how I feel about the whole thing that I should have been able to make twenty years ago.

Thank you for reading

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