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Sent: Friday, February 14, 2020 1:17 PM
To: PDTestimony
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Subject: Please support and pass Senate Bill 113 for Adult Adoptees

Dear CT Senators,

I urge you to support SB 113, the adult adoptee birth certificate bill.

Although I now live out of state, Connecticut is my home. I was born in Bridgeport in 1970, was adopted by two loving parents and grew up in an amazing family and community in Plainville. My parents are the reason I am the happy, successful adult I am today. However, I have always wondered about my biology and "where I came from". Having access to my original birth certificate would help to answer some questions and bring the closure that I have desired all these years.

This bill gives adult adoptees access to their personal information and their history. It eliminates the discrimination that currently exists for adults, like me, who were adopted before 1983. It allows us to know how our story began. There is no question that allowing us access to our original birth certificate is the right thing to do.

Please support and pass this bill this year.

Respectfully,

Jennifer Culbertson

From Plainville, CT