

## Support for SB 113



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I am writing this on my mother's birthday. That is my adoptive Mother's birthday. I live in New York State so we already have access to our original birth certificates. I actually have had mine for some time as I could not get a passport. Many things were done to us adoptees in the name of protecting our birth mother's identity. Through a number of circumstances I learned who my biological mother was and was able to connect at least through a phone call with her before she passed. I now have some medical information and letters that share my heritage.

This has been very emotional for me as was her decision to not meet and to not share this information with my 3 half siblings. So far I have honored her decision.

I support SB 113. Those of use who were adopted due to the shameful way our mother's were treated have the right to handle this information and then make decisions with full knowledge of their birth right.

Please vote for SB 113.