## Written Testimony of Warren Forgang To the Honorable Chairman and Members of the House Children & Youth Committee Regarding HB162 – Adoptee Rights Bill

Chairman and Esteemed Members ~~

Everyone has a right to know who they are. To deny adoptees access to their Original Birth Certificate is the worse example of inequality and discrimination that is happening.

It is our RIGHT to have these records that are sealed opened NOW!

I am 74 years old, and I still don't have the basic civil rights that everyone else has, to know who I am.

This has to stop now! Please pass this legislation and give adoptees the rights they are entitled to. I want to be able to say, "I know who I am," and not just to say, "I wonder who I am."

Thank you,

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