I oppose the recent proposal to increase the naturalization fees. We are a middle-class family and have already paid all kinds of fees for my husband's immigration to the US-- the fiance visa fee, the work visa, the fingerprinting fee, the conditional residency fee, the fingerprinting fee to correct the name on the green card, the petition to remove residency fee, and a few others I've forgotten about now. I am an American citizen and shouldn't have to pay so many fees for the simple fact that I fell in love with someone who was born across a border. Increasing the naturalization fee is irresponsible, as I can't imagine how working-class families manage to pay such a hefty amount when we, who have more means, find it difficult to put that amount together. Naturalization should be FREE- after all that a person did to come to this country and contribute to the economy and culture. The fact that they want to be citizens, participating members of our political system, should be a source of pride for us. That is, we should not discourage a person from naturalizing by raking the fees up and thus leaving many more to the in-between status of residency. Please consider that you are hurting American citizens both directly and indirectly by charging us money we work hard to invest in the American economy.