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Benefit application fee schedule adjustment

Dear Sir/Madam -

Upon review of the proposed increase of adoption fees we are opposed to such a marked increase. These rates are going to make the dream of having a child out of reach for many especially those of us who are having to pay these fees twice due to China's slow response time. Please, we beg of you, do not let our dreams die because of increased fees. Many of us have already paid a priceless amount with the emotional toll thus far without even counting the financial toll for our heart's desire of becoming parents. We cannot help that China has slowed down and should not be penalized for such. It is also very hard to understand why the fee is going up 140%. Please reconsider the fee increase and leave it as it is. The fingerprints need only be collected once and kept on file as our fingerprints do not change. A nominal fee if needed, could be charged to run them again in situations where they have expired due to the adoption Country's pace. Please do not increase the fees, it is not just about the money, but about the emotional toll of not being able to adopt after all due to the fees being out of reach.

Thank you for your consideration.

Adoptive Family Morath

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