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To Whom It May Concern:

I am currently in the waiting stage of my adoption process and have been notified that there is a proposal pending to substantially increase filing fees. If approved the fees would escalate an average of 66% over current fees.

Due to the extensive waiting period I am already, along with many others, going to have to refile, due to the expiration dates of, many of the required papers which is extremely costly. Adopting parents are already facing a financial hardship, but one that we are willing to take, to provide love and care to needy children. To increase these costs will jeopardize and put at risk to possibility of these adopted children finding loving homes and/or to Provide the necessities a child requires such as clothing, food etc.

Money can not always be the driver of actions. There needs to be consideration to the act of love and willingness to financially take care of these children. By approving this increase you will be putting these children at risk and putting financial hardship on the adoptive parents. Who will suffer in the end?....the children.

I am requesting that this the Office of Management and Budget cancel this proposed increase and your assistance in supporting this not happening is needed and appreciated.

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