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Dear Members of The House Human Services
Committee, Matt Ruby Chairman,

My name is Joy Johnson, I live in District #4, and I am a U.S. born Citizen who has resided in North Dakota for over 50 years.

I absolutely support House Bill 1373.

My husband and I were directly affected by a pregnant mother's decision to choose life for her pre-born baby. Initially, she made the very personal assessment that she was unable to birth and care for her baby in her situation. She felt abortion was her only choice. Fortunately, she sought out wise counsel that suggested a life saving alternative for her precious baby. Her brave, selfless decision and act of powerful, maternal love, placed baby Rachel into our waiting arms as adoptive parents. We are forever grateful to her birth mother for our beautiful Rachel and her choice for the adoption alternative. That choice would actually have generational consequences.