WHEREAS, the Child Citizenship Act of 2000 (CCA) allows foreign-born, adopted children of American citizens to acquire American citizenship automatically; and

WHEREAS, despite having been legally adopted by American citizens and raised in the United States, adoptees who were 18 years of age or older on the CCA’s effective date did not automatically acquire American citizenship; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the Twenty-ninth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2018, the Senate concurring, that the Legislature supports the proposed Adoptee Citizenship Act of 2018, H.R. 5233; S. 2522, currently pending in Congress, which provides American citizenship for foreign-born adoptees who were adopted by American parents and raised in the United States; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the President Pro Tempore and Minority Leader of the United States Senate, Speaker and Minority Leader of the United States House of Representatives, Chairs of the Committees on the Judiciary of the United States Senate and United States House of Representatives, each member of Hawaii's Congressional delegation, Secretary of Homeland Security, and Director of the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services.