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To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to express my wholehearted support for the adoption bill currently under consideration. As a licensed social worker with over 17 years of experience in adoption, I have had the privilege of working with A New Beginning Adoption Agency, where my primary focus has been assisting women facing crisis pregnancies and guiding them through the adoption process.

Counseling plays a vital role in supporting individuals through the grieving process after making an adoption plan. Taking a therapeutic approach is crucial, especially when dealing with the acute trauma of unplanned pregnancy and the subsequent loss in adoption. Offering counseling services to these women is not just important; it's essential for their healing journey. Providing a safe and supportive space for them to navigate through complex emotions can make a significant difference in their ability to cope and ultimately find healing.

Please consider this request in deciding on this bill. Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Cara Walsh

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