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Assemblyman David Weprin, Senator Velmanette Montgomery, Assemblywoman Pamela Hunter, Adoptee Rights Advocates Announce First Day of OBC Access for Adult Adoptees

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| ISSUE: **ADOPTTEES ACCESS TO BIRTH RECORDS, ADOPTTEE RIGHTS, CLEAN BILL OF ADOPTTEE RIGHTS, CHILDREN AND FAMILIES**

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ALBANY, NEW YORK – On WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15 at 11:00 AM on the Assembly Staircase, 3rd Floor of the Capitol, in Albany, Assemblyman David I. Weprin, Senator Velmanette Montgomery, Assemblywoman Pamela Hunter & other elected officials will join several adult adopted individuals, birth parents & adoptee rights advocates to announce the first day of access for adult adoptees seeking a copy of their original birth certificate. Assembled legislators will also present a pen certificate, a symbolic document commemorating the enactment of legislation, to a number of supporters of the legislation.

The Clean Bill of Adoptee Rights, A5494 Weprin / S3419 Montgomery, was signed by Governor Andrew M. Cuomo on November 14, 2019. The legislation, which passed both houses of the legislature in 2019 after a decades long push by advocates and lawmakers, establishes the

right of adoptees to receive a certified copy of their birth certificate upon reaching the age of 18.

WHEN: WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15 at 11:00 AM

WHERE: Assembly Staircase, 3rd Floor, Capitol, Albany

WHO: Assemblyman David I. Weprin, Senator Velmanette Montgomery, Assemblywoman Pamela Hunter, Adoptee Rights Advocates

VISUALS: Legislators present advocates with pen certificates, speak on access to original birth certificates.

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RELATED LEGISLATION

2019-S3419

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- Introduced
 - - In Committee Assembly
 - In Committee Senate

- ○ On Floor Calendar Assembly
 - On Floor Calendar Senate

- ○ Passed Assembly
 - Passed Senate

- Delivered to Governor
- Signed By Governor
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February 06, 2019

Signed by Governor

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Do you support this bill?