Dear Senator/Representative [select one] [elected official’s last name],

I urge you to support efforts to end statelessness in the United States and around the globe.

Citizenship is a human right. However, there are thousands of stateless people in the US and many millions around the globe. A stateless person is someone who isn’t a citizen or national of any country. They often cannot travel, receive medical care, access education, own a house, etc. They are essentially invisible, which makes them vulnerable to violence and discrimination.

Three core international treaties outline the basic rights and protections of stateless people under international law:

1. The 1951 Convention relating to the Status of Refugees
2. The 1954 Convention relating to the Status of Stateless Persons
3. The 1961 UN Convention on the Reduction of Statelessness

The United States has ratified none of these treaties. Ratifying them would:

* Show that the US is serious about our human rights obligations.
* Provide a framework for the US to develop a national action plan to end statelessness.
* Lead to the creation of protections for stateless people under U.S. law.

Support the ratification of these core international treaties. Thank you.

Sincerely,
[Your name]