RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, That the American Bar Association supports an interpretation of the Citizenship Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution that recognizes all persons born in the territories, possessions, and commonwealths of the United States, and who are subject to the jurisdiction of the United States, as natural-born citizens of the United States; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the American Bar Association urges the Judiciary to declare 8 U.S.C. § 1408(1) and any other statute or regulation that withholds recognition as natural-born citizens from any persons born in any of the territories, possessions, and commonwealths of the United States, and who are subject to the jurisdiction of the United States, as unconstitutional in violation of the Citizenship Clause. Nothing in this Resolution should be construed to infringe on the cultural sovereignty of any United States territory, including the matai system in American Samoa.

Deletions struck through; additions underlined.