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The Joint Select Committee
On End of Life Choices
Level 1, 11 Harvest Tce
West Perth WA 6005

Dear Sir/Madam

SUBMISSION to the inquiry into the need for WA laws to allow citizens to make informed choices for end of life.

In my opinion, the current WA laws do need improvement for citizens to make informed choices for their end of life. However, I am concerned about pressures for this committee to recommend any changes in favour of euthanasia.

Addressing only the first Term of Reference; any patient with a terminal condition does not have to continue treatment if it is not helping them, but should be given palliative care to ease their passing. I ask the committee to recommend changes to the WA law to release more funding towards palliative care, especially for non-cancer sufferers and those in remote areas.

Yours sincerely

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