Attention: Principal Research Officer,
Joint Select Committee on End of Life Choices,
Legislative Assembly,
Parliament House
PERTH WA 6000 October 9th 2017
Ms. Amber-Jade Sanderson MLA.
Chair of the Joint Select Committee on End of Life Choices

15 October 2017

Dear Ms. Sanderson,

I am writing in support of any laws that will decriminalise voluntary euthanasia or assisted dying in WA. I am 86 and I am hopeing, that I would be able to enjoy the benefits of the desired changes to legislation.

From my study of the difficulties people face when preparing for a peaceful end of life in Western Australia it seems that almost everything requiring the assistance of others including doctors is considered criminal.

It is evident that many people are cared for long after they wish to end their suffering, because they cannot be helped to end their life even if they had formally expressed the wish to die. Please introduce laws to change this.

Thank you for considering my submission. I am not available for a personal appearance before your Committee.

Yours sincerely,

R. B. Thompson