Ms Amber-Jade Sanderson MLA Chair of Joint Select Committee on End of Life Choices Legislative Assembly Parliament House Perth 6000

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Dear Ms Sanderson

I am writing in support of any laws that will allow voluntary euthanasia or assisted dying in WA.

Doctors cannot and will not help when a person has a chronic condition which makes life unbearable and if someone wants to end their life then the act has to be carried out while the individual is still able to do so under their own volition.

Reliable, legal and peaceful methods to end one's life are not readily available to the older generation who may want to avoid a continuous decline in health and importantly, dignity. A doctor's assistance would and should help to ensure a peaceful death.

I want to have the right to determine when and how my life is to end if I am terminally ill, suffering unbearable pain without any prospect of improvement and having to depend on others for even the most basic care. Palliative care is available to all who want it but I should also be able to get medical help for a peaceful death as long as I am competent and informed of alternatives.

A peaceful and dignified death should be at a place of my choice with family and friends with me.

My life, my death, my choice

Thank you for reading and considering my submission

Yours sincerely

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