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Termination of Pregnancy Bill 2018

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Dear Mr Mickelberg, all members of the Queensland Parliament, and the Department of Health, Queensland,

I would like to express my absolute distress that the Queensland Labor Government is planning to introduce a bill to decriminalise abortion and thereby allow late-term abortions for social or even financial reasons.

Firstly, I do not class myself as a right-wing fanatic, but now I am most certainly not a Labor supporter.

Our laws are in place in Australia to reflect that all human life has a purpose, coming from an community knowledge of right and wrong and a sense of justice to protect the rights of the most vulnerable . To decriminalise abortion cannot but reflect the notion that killing of the most innocent is acceptable in circumstances other than to protect the physical life of the mother. I fear greatly that this will have a huge impact in the lives of young persons who will determine by legal acceptance that life, even their own, is not worth fighting for and that human kind can be an inconvenience to be discarded. I fear that the incidence of post abortive stress and latter regret will rise - in accordance with increased abortions, as the moral conflict and grief experienced by the pregnant mother who aborts her unborn baby cannot be suppressed by anyone who does not either go into extreme denial over what they have done, or become engrafted into this nation's emerging sociopathic and selfish nature.

Furthermore, I am grieved that young women especially, are often forced by societal expectations to put study and career above having children. I have known numerous women who have been coerced and even bullied to have abortions and later have a childless life, of which they are desperately trying to reverse.

For the sake of the unborn, the sake of the young mother to be and for the sake of not culturing our young women and men to lack remorse and be settled with reckless disregard for life, I urge you to keep abortion as the criminal act that it is.

Yours sincerely,

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