

03 September, 2018

Queensland ParliamentHealth, Communities, Disability Services and Domestic and Family Violence Prevention Committee

RE: Abortion/Termination/Stopping a heartbeat of a human fetus

Via Email: health@parliament.qld.gov.au

Dear Committee,

RE: Inquiry into the Termination of Pregnancy Bill 2018 – We as a Tax paying member of society reject abortion.

We are writing to you to voice our stand against abortion. I have had seven pregnancies and the last three were high risk pregnancies with HELLP syndrome, Placenta Previa (severe form) and cholestasis.

My husband is a Veterinary Surgeon and a qualified secondary high school Biology and Science teacher. I am an experienced primary school teacher that has maintained full time employment both before and after each pregnancy.

Placenta Previa is the most dangerous condition to have for a woman and her baby during child birth. If I was in a third world country without a surgeon capable of performing a C section I would have been a statistic and died.

HELLP syndrome is another serious health risk to the mother and is often used as an excuse to abort pre-born babies. I chose to put my trust in our health care system to save both myself (mother) and our baby. There is no need for abortion in this country.

There is only a need for more doctors to help women around the world to have safe pregnancies and deliveries.

We categorically do not support this bill.

I look forward to the opportunity of speaking with you to discuss how I can contribute to the committee's inquiry.

Thank you for your ear

Yours Sincerely,

Kate and Matt O'Dwyer