Health, Communities, Disability Services and Domestic and Family Violence Prevention Comr

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Prevention Committee

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Re Termination of Pregnancy Bill 2018

Dear Sir/Madam,

In relation to the proposed 'Termination of Pregnancy Bill 2018', I wish to state my emphatic objection. The bill proposes a number of allowances that legalise the killing of a developing human life, generally called an *unborn baby*, still in the womb. It is incomprehensible that in our free society, we would legalise the termination (murder) of a unborn child!

It is obvious to me the unborn baby, as a separate human being with the rare commodity of life, should be granted the rights and potential of any other human. The child is not a 'part of the woman body' — not an arm or a leg, but a fully separate being growing inside their mother — with his/her own DNA, experiences and special abilities.

Whether a person is religious or not, the killing of an unborn child is an extremely serious matter, and all good and fair societies must work to guard and protect children of any age, not pass laws that do exactly the opposite for the most vulnerable people of all — the developing child.

While considerations for ending a life may exist under some very rare circumstances, <u>the exception should</u> <u>never make the rule</u>. How have we as a society become so calloused, short-sighted and cruel?

Please register my protest at this new bill. I know many others who share my disgust and disappointment with a team of community leaders who would make such a proposal.

Genuinely,

Geoff Robertson