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To whom it may concern ,

I hope you consider the views of ordinary people who most strongly object to the proposed introduction of a law permitting abortion up to the minute of birth. I am one of those people.

How can anyone in their right mind think that killing babies is right and acceptable for whatever reason. How can it be that a government could consider introducing such a law when there are so many babies born to parents before the normal gestation period of 40 weeks, that doctors and nurses are fighting so hard to keep alive?

For instance my great niece who has been diagnosed with Acute Myeloid Leukemia at 22 weeks pregnant gave birth by c. Section at 30 weeks to a baby boy of 2lb 8 oz. Who is very much alive and doing well in the neo natal icu at Lady Cilento Hospital in Brisbane. Under new laws it would be legal to kill that baby if the mother, for health reasons decided to have an abortion. Thankfully she did not do that but it is inconceivable that drs. And nurses should be forced by reason of the parents wishes to murder, which is what it would amount to, a baby up to birth or at any time before that.

Babies are human beings from the moment of conception, regardless of what some people wish to believe and to me it is a terrible crime to kill that human being at any time, especially after what the medical profession considers the baby to be viable – meaning able to survive outside the womb, with medical help many times, at 24 weeks gestation. Medical professionals should never be forced to commit crimes against their conscience in the performance of their duties. If someone killed a baby at 2 days after birth it would certainly be treated as murder, but it is going to be ok to kill a baby a week before a normal birth.?

My heart aches for these little ones who don't have a say in what so called "responsible adults" are permitted to do to them. There are very many couples who would give anything to be able to adopt but find there are just so few babies put up for adoption, because young girls are either encouraged to abort their babies or paid by the government to keep them, often with very sad outcomes for the baby and mother or parents. There is so much that is wrong in this once wonderful country Australia, but we should not be numbered among those who treat life with such little value that we can legally kill babies. I appeal to those in authority to deny the passage of this bill.

Thank you for reading this letter

Yours faithfully
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