Dear Research Director,

I wish to register my opposition to the Abortion Law Reform Bill currently under your consideration.

I am opposed to abortion. I support all efforts to give a woman experiencing an unplanned pregnancy all the options available to her, not just abortion on demand which harms the mother as well as the baby, both physically and emotionally. It takes courage to stand up against a myriad of voices telling a girl she should abort.

What I really don't get is the need for full term and late term abortion of a healthy, viable infant. Why would you carry that infant for 7, 8, or 9 months then abort it in a distressing procedure? I watched the footage on the inappropriate killing of cattle in Vietnam with a sledge hammer. I saw how the cattle were trying to get away from the killing instrument and it reminded me of the ultrasound vision of an unborn infant trying to get away from the instrument of abortion. Somehow it looked similar to me.Why should we worry about inhumane killing of cattle and not care about inhumane killing of human infants in the womb? Beats me.

Thank you for your consideration. Yours sincerely, (Mrs) Lesley Hughes