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Dear Committee Members

"Qld Labor's Health Minister Cameron Dick released figures reporting 27 babies survived lateterm abortions, but were NOT rendered care, and were left to perish in the clinic. That number is rising every year, more than doubling since 2009Qld Labor's Health Minister Cameron Dick released figures reporting 27 babies survived late-term abortions, but were NOT rendered care, and were left to perish in the clinic. That number is rising every year, more than doubling since 2009."

In the light of the existing volume of abortions, what additional freedom is needed to destroy life? These days we loudly proclaim our humanitarian values and place great emphasis on the preservation of our wild life, from tigers to koalas, even reptiles. It is no longer legal to kill a venomous snake even if it enters your house. As there should have been, much concern was expressed when we failed to fly an expectant refugee mother to Australia in time to save her baby, yet sadly, within our own community we seem to have little concern at the agonizing slaughter of thousands of helpless unborn babies.

We know that unwanted children cannot be expected to receive the loving care that all children deserve, but there are a great many couples anxious to adopt a little one to love, so there can be a future for each one. Within my own extended family there are four delightful little children who could have been aborted but are now enjoying the security of a loving family.

Finally, it should be remembered that the innocent victims of abortion have no part in creating the situation; The pregnancy is wholly the result of the mothers own activities and the men who take advantage of her, and who are often guilty of applying pressure to end it, for fear of becoming responsible to provide long term maintenance. There is little justice in letting the innocents be the ones to suffer.

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