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Dear Committee,

As a seventy-five year old woman I have seen many things. Unwanted pregnancies can result in tragic consequences

The choice of having an abortion must be one of the most difficult decision a woman can make. As an enlighten society we should support her in whatever path she takes. Our antiquated abortion laws are just that – out of date – written in a time when men controlled society. Love not the threat of criminal prosecution should be the thing we offer women at this difficult time.

Remember this in making your decision – many unwanted pregnancies produce unwanted children. Life is difficult enough but without the support of loving parents it can be a nightmare – history proves this statement. Without readily available safe abortions there will be more unwanted children and they will carry the burden – far too often unwanted children are abused and they, in turn, go on to become abusers. With an over populated world let's make sure the children born are wanted. Think of the women involved and think of their children –decriminalize abortions.

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