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To our Queensland Parliament,

I would like to express my horror at the proposed abortion law reform tabled by Rob Pyne.

The Deputy Premier thinks it is time for Queensland to get in line with the other States in decriminalizing abortion. I would suggest our State should lead the way in demonstrating our belief in the value of human life.

The terminology "termination of pregnancy" is an attempt to whitewash the truth that abortion is actually an act that kills a human baby. Pregnancy is designed to terminate at the birth of a living human. The fact that not all babies are safely delivered alive is a tragedy, not something to be celebrated by adding to the numbers!

Women already have choice over their bodies. They can choose to have a sexual relationship with a man or not. The child being carried is not a part of the mother. It is a distinct human individual. The difference is only in size, level of development, environment and degree of dependency. To describe a developing child as a blob of tissue is a grossly unscientific lie.

And yes, I am well aware of the issue of pregnancy caused by rape. The violation of rape is bad enough without adding the violation of abortion to it. Two wrongs do not make a right.

We regularly determine the point of death of a human being, by checking for a heartbeat. No heartbeat, no life. A young baby has a heartbeat from the 18th day after conception. It is a living human being.

Please do not pass this horrible law. There is no need to follow the crowd to do evil. We are better than that.

Thank you.

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