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I doubt anyone will actually read this, but if anyone is considering changing the abortion laws in Queensland, I want them to do it knowing that my abortion saved my life.

It wasn't going to kill me, I was perfectly healthy, but all the same, I don't even want to think about where I might've ended up without it.

If there's someone out there that wants to make my pursuit of my own wellbeing a crime, then so be it, but I will fight tooth and nail against them for the rest of my life.

There's nothing more important than a person's right to bodily autonomy, and any and all anti-abortion laws are direct violations of that right.

I was 17 years old when I had my abortion, and if I hadn't gotten it I know without a doubt that my life would have been destroyed. No one, especially not someone who's still a child, deserves to have to deal with that. If I had to care for a child then I wouldn't have gotten my job, I wouldn't have gotten my house, and I most likely wouldn't have my sanity. And that's only if I'd been allowed to keep it after birth, as I was in such a terrible place at the time that it probably would have been taken away.

If someone thinks that a 17 year old should be forced to endure the trauma of an unwanted pregnancy and birth only to have the child taken, well.. I haven't heard many things more cruel and sadistic than that. I don't remember the name of my abortion doctor, but she's my hero, and she saved my life.

#its not 1899. No restrictions.

Sent from my iPhone

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