## Termination of Pregnancy (Live Births) Amendment Bill 2024

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Please pabcd this legislation and stop this atrocity from occurring. Please be a gatekeeper we can rely on. To whom it may concern,

My name is **a second**, **a second second** I have two young children and my mother has been a midwife for the last 40years.

I believe it is essential that babies who are born alive durung an abortion should be given healthcare. These babies are humans and leaving them to die, alone, with no support is akin to the ancient practices of leaving unwanted babies to die on the rocks. This is barbaric. These babies are humans and have the right to receive care. The current practice of not providing healthcare is also very distressing for those attending the mother and baby- the midwives, doctors and other healthcare professionals - who's role it is to preserve life, not to aid in taking it.

It is our Government's responsibility to protect the most vulnerable, to draw the line in the sand and declare, "No! We as a society will not cross this line."

This degradation of human life will have a ripple affect in the years to come. The toll on our healthcare professionals will result in a greater need for mental and emotional support systems, but also, for the uninformed mother's as they realise there baby is left to die alone and unattended. To not value the least of these, to see them as chaff on a medical waste heap, instead of the humans they are, in need of care is devastating for our humanity as a society.

Sincerely,

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