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**From:** [REDACTED]  
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**To:** Health and Environment Committee  
**Subject:** VAD Submissions

Dear Submission Committee,

I am writing to you in support of the latest VAD submission's you are currently debating. Anyone one of us at any age could be confronted with such a terrible position, whereby we would like the option to at least consider the use of VAD.

In my case it could be a non recovery stroke where I can't even speak for myself. I would love to have my own power over myself by writing it out to my family and medical staff treating me prior to the stroke.

My decision has nothing to do with the anti VAD people and I respect their views. However they are not my views and I would like to think that they could respect my views in return.

I support the VAD as it is, however I do believe the stroke situation above is an area where debate and considered decision should also be added as a topic.

Kind regards to you all

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Vote YES please.