## **Health and Environment Committee**

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**Sent:** Thursday, 1 July 2021 10:10 PM **To:** Health and Environment Committee

**Subject:** I oppose the "Voluntary Assisted Dying" Bill

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Re: I oppose the "Voluntary Assisted Dying" Bill

Dear Health Committee Members,

I oppose this voluntary assisted dying bill because:

- 1) Whatever terminology you give it, it is still assisted suicide- another human being involved in taking someone's life
- 2) I find it astonishing that no mental health assessment or referral to seek specialist advice is given prior to making an decision about something that is irreversible
- 3) Again I find it astonishing that someone trying to advice against or talk someone out of "voluntary assisted dying" could face 7 years in prison. I know if that was my family member of friend I would do anything.

Sincerely,

Olayinka Doherty