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Dear Research Director

I would like to introduce myself to you. My name is Christine McBryde and I consider myself to be one of the luckiest people alive, as I was given a lifesaving kidney transplant in 1981, and had the top surgeon DR Russel Strong. I named my kidney "Snoopy" and it is now 27 years old. Now that is certainly a long time dead if I hadn't been lucky enough to have the transplant.

Back in those days, we weren't allowed to find out who our donor was which I think is really sad, as I would have loved to thank the family and show them how much good they have done through their generous decision to donate the organs of their loved one.

I think what you are proposing to do in the "opt out" or presumed consent system for organ & tissue donation is positively life saving for us all.

I would love to see all those people's lives saved through transplants - no one knows how great it is to get your life back until you nearly lose it. Keep up the good fight.

yours sincerely

Christine McBryde

