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Dear Sirs/Madam,

I wish to express my sincerest opinion that a law be passed to allow real, flesh and blood people, to die with Dignity with the laws of the land behind them. There has been some discussion, but not nearly enough on why people who are terminally ill cannot have a VOICE in when and if they choose to die.

My dearest friend who was dying inch by inch of Parkinson's disease, lay in a nursing home with not one ounce of dignity left. When I went to see her, before staff attended to her, I saw and smelt her lying in her own feces. I sat with her when she tried to eat but could only let the food fall out of her mouth. Yes, she had to have someone feed her, clean the excrement from her body, and dress her. Before she was unable to speak, she begged me for a way out!

Does our Government have one ounce of humanity left? Does any one in Parliament ever think that someday they could be one of the people left to languish in utter hopelessness and anguish? Paint the picture in your mind. Put yourself in that position instead of a dear friend or relative.

Need I say, as the upstanding Australian citizen that I am, DO THE RIGHT THING. Allow terminally ill people to Die With Dignity with the law solidly behind them.

Sincerely,

Dorothy Olive

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