

To whom it may concern - If a referendum was held today every person in this country knows, freedom of choice in how to end your own life would pass with few contradictions. The arguments against voluntary euthanasia are mostly either religious, or based on vested interest. I live in a retirement village and have seen people who's life has no joy for them anymore. They do not want to be filled with drugs, and sent for more and more tests in the vain hope of some cure they know will never work. LET US GO, when we want, when we realise our time has come. LET US GO, with some dignity, not fastened to machines for a few extra weeks. LET US GO, when the people we love can remember us as we once were, not drooling, incoherent skeletons they hardly recognise. LET US GO, when we are in constant pain, and long for relief. The population is living longer, do not let us all be resented as we age by the ones we love who must bear the burden for keeping us alive against our will. LET US GO.

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