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To : Committee, Inquiry into End of Life Choices.

Euthanasia; A Definite 'No'.

I am writing to express my opposition to any change in existing laws relating to care of the terminally ill and those approaching death within the State of Victoria and my reasons for this are as follows : -

- 1.Euthanasia is an act of direct and deliberate killing and as such must be forbidden by law.
- 2.Euthanasia sends the message to the elderly and the infirm that they are no longer wanted when this should be a time for special love and care.
- 3.Euthanasia puts society on the 'slippery slope'. Belgium has recently enacted a law which allows for the euthanizing of young children.

Speaking personally of the deaths of my late mother and father (some nine years apart), this was a time when the family came together in a marvelous way. Sadness yes but an overriding sense of love and devotion in celebration of two lives well-lived. Mum and Dad were treasured until the end of their lives which ended naturally.

'Kill the pain, not the patient'.

Yours faithfully,  
Paul G. Donohoe

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