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Dear Sir/Madam,

Please do not allow laws where people will be killed when they are experiencing tough times.

The opening sentence of the Call for Submissions talks about "medical options available at the end of their life". I would like to

stress that euthanasia and assisted suicide are not "medical options". Deliberately acting to cause the death of a person is not a medical act.

Euthanasia and assisted suicide are not medical options and should never be made law. Indeed, providing lethal substances or the promise of a lethal injection is never palliative in the true sense of that medical discipline.

Please consider the risk to vulnerable people. These people need our love and support not death.

I call for more effort to be made to ensure that all Victorians have access to the best of care at the end-of-life and that, though such services are not always up to the recommended standards and available to all on an equal basis, we should never be considering state sanctioned killing !

Life is difficult. We need to love and support people experiencing tough times not kill them. Indeed tough times today does may not mean tough times in a few days or a few weeks. Death is final and should be left to natural methods.

I strongly oppose the proposed euthanasia laws.

Regards,

Joe Alvaro