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Dear Sir/Madam,

I have just been advised that the Victorian Government is taking submissions in respect to the above and I congratulate them in their enlightened attitude. It is in stark contrast to the neandethals in the Federal Govt.

I firmly believe every person has the right to determine the circumstances of their departure subject to fairly strict protocol.

I do not believe people in hopeless situations should be kept alive through extensive (and expensive) medical intervention when all these unfortunates want to do is move on painlessly, quietly and with a modicum of dignity. No one has the right to contradict their wishes- life is not sacrosanct – there are always grey areas.

Holland has practised voluntary euthanasia for about 20 years and we could do well to look at how they have gone about it. In my experience, the Dutch are a clever and innovative race and in 20 years have obviously ironed out any problems.

Last year my mother passed away to incurable cancer at 90 and she would have happily accepted euthanasia if it had been available.

I wish you all the best in striving to correct a situation that definitely needs correcting.

Yours faithfully

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