Dear Committee

My wife and I are opposed to Assisted Suicide or Euthanasia for these reasons:

1. Society must preserve life regardless of the age of the person or condition. Otherwise, how do we harmonise to what is good, moral to what is evil and immoral?
2. When we dictate who lives or dies, we become exposed to the slippery slope of our objectiveness about life and its meaning. We become devoid of significance when we consider voluntary death as being justifiable.
3. We must instill into every human life that they are precious and shall be cared for and protected. This gives our citizens the confidence of knowing that after their service to the nation, they shall be in turn cared for when they are ill or sick.
4. We must offer and enhance our palliative care for everyone who needs it. Allocate budget to make this care accessible.
5. We must be concerned over suicides of the young and at the same time encourage the sick and terminally ill to live. This spirit of care for the welfare is to be part of our culture for humanity.
6. Dying ones are frightened and confused, and when euthanasia is introduced, we introduce additional fear. This merely defeats the dying to recover and deny them to will to live.
7. Medicine is to extend lives and not reduce or remove. Do not raise a generation of medical professionals that kill people when we are sick and get admitted into hospitals.
8. Euthanasia shall open the doors to encouraging suicides and we as a nation has already the highest suicide rate in the world.
9. The sick and the informed are vulnerable people and we must accord care and affection to them instead of identifying them for the morgue. This is sick.
10. Euthanasia is declared that the terminally ill as being burdensome and an inconvenience to the family and relatives. This disgusting reason pressures the sick to terminate their lives.
11. Euthanasia discourages research into new frontiers to save lives of the terminally sick.
12. Euthanasia affects more than the dead but it impacts adversely the lives of those around. Conscience shall be seared.

In conclusion, please do not advocate euthanasia or assisted suicide. Invest into palliative care.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely

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