To: The Members of the Senate and Finance Administration Committee,
Parliament House,
Canberra.

I write in regard to the Bill introduced into Federal Parliament in March of this year, by Senator John Madigan, seeking the removal of Medicare funding from the practice of abortion for sex selection and which is presently before your Committee.

I wish to record my support for this Bill, for it is ultimately fighting for the protection of the unborn who are the most vulnerable in our society. That a child will be destroyed if it is not of the desired gender is obscene and that public money is used to fund such abortions is also obscene.

More and more pressure will be exerted by those wishing to ensure "designer babies", and without this Bill those not wanted will be denied the right to life.

May I urge careful consideration on this fundamental issue.

With respect,

Yours faithfully,

Sr. Mary Ruth Bayard.