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The Right to Life Association (NSW) supports the “Health Insurance Amendment (Medical Funding for Certain Types of Abortion) 2013.

We are a benevolent, independent, secular, non-partisan human rights organisation with a large and diverse membership. Our common interest is to protect the most vulnerable in our community by advocating the inalienable dignity of all human life from conception to natural death.

A recent Galaxy survey found that 92% of respondents were opposed to abortion sex selection abortion. While a 2010 study by Melbourne University's School of Population Health also found the overwhelming majority of Australian are against this practice. Senators simply cannot dismiss or downplay such compelling figures regarding community standards and sentiment.

Public funds should not be used for sex selection abortion. Nor should Medicare be used for “family balancing”, even for motives rooted in cultural practice or religious observance.

Yours faithfully

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