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Submission No. 986  
(Inq into better support for carers)

SECRETARY

INQUIRY INTO BETTER SUPPORT FOR CARERS  
STANDING COMMITTEE ON FAMILY, COMMUNITY HOUSING

P.O. Box 6021

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
PARLIAMENT HOUSE

CANBERRA ACT 2600

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DEAR SECRETARY

I WISH TO MAKE A SUBMISSION TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STANDING COMMITTEE ON FAMILY, COMMUNITY, HOUSING & YOUTH INQUIRY INTO BETTER SUPPORT FOR CARERS.

THE PRACTICAL MEASURES THAT WOULD SUPPORT ME WOULD BE ABLE TO GET SOME RESPIRE FOR MY SELF WHEN I NEED IT. CURRENTLY THE SITUATION IS I HAVE TO RING UP NURSING HOME AND TRY TO GET A BED FOR MY WIFE WHILE I CAN TAKE A BREAK.

WHENEVER, I RING UP I ALWAYS GET NO BEDS AVAILABLE, AND WHEN I ASK,

WHEN IT WOULD BE OK, THE ANSWER IS,  
WE WILL RING YOU AND LET YOU KNOW, AND  
WHEN THEY DO IT IS, BRING HER IN  
TOMORROW.

AS YOU CAN UNDERSTAND IF THEY COULD  
GIVE ME A BIT MORE NOTICE I COULD  
ORGANISE A HOLIDAY FOR MYSELF.  
I HAVE BEEN LOOKING AFTER MY WIFE  
NOW FOR 5 YEARS AND FRANKLY IT IS  
TAKING ITS TOLL ON ME, AS I CANT  
HAVE A BREAK WHEN I NEED ONE.  
I THINK IF I COULD GET REGULAR  
BREAKS IT WOULD BE EASIER FOR  
ME TO CODE.

THANK YOU FOR ASKING  
US FOR AN INPUT  
AND HOPING YOU MAY  
RESOLVE THE SITUATION  
OF NO BED AVAILABLE  
IN THE FUTURE  
YOURS SINCERELY  
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