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Dear Sir'

I am writing to express in the strongest possible terms my support for the
RIGHTS OF THE TERMINALLY III (Euthanasia Laws Repeal) BILL 2008.

It is unconscionable and inhumane that individuals whose beliefs and or religion should be allowed to impinge on and oppress the fundamental rights and of those of us who wish to be in control of our own mortality and die with dignity in the company of friends and love ones if we so wish.

Surely it is not beyond the wit of Parliament to enact compassionate Legislation which would mitigate the mental anguish of those of us who having made living wills and may if we so choose, by our own hand depart or be helped to depart this mortal coil when quality of life no longer exists, or pain and suffering has become intolerable.

I understand on the 5th May 2008 in Sydney, the partner and great friend of a person who took his own life are to appear before the Court for allegedly assisting in the suicide of that person. To pursue the friends and love ones of a person for whom life had become intolerable is the act of a society whose idealism and dogma denies any sense of humanity.

The right to dying with dignity must be sacrosanct.

Yours sincerely

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