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Sirs and Madam:

**RE: Proposed Amendments to the Current MAID Legislation**

At the outset, let me state emphatically that, as a Catholic Christian, I am totally AGAINST any legislation, current or to come, that sanctions Medical Assistance In Dying.

The Online Public Consultation Questionnaire that is presently available suggests to me that the changes being proposed, if they are invoked, will only make MAID even less acceptable. The on-line Survey now being circulated does not bother to ask if one opposes the practices of Physician-Assisted Suicide (PAS) and Euthanasia; it appears to simply assume that everyone in Canada is in agreement with these principles. NOT SO!

Any legislation with regard to MAID must in no way impede Medical Practitioners' right to refuse to participate in MAID

The legislation that is in place at this time provides that a patient must give informed consent both at the time of the patient's request for MAID, and again immediately before the procedure is administered. Sometimes patients are in a coma prior to death, or their faculties are otherwise impaired. It is proposed that new "Advance Request" legislation be passed, making it possible for persons to outline the conditions under which they want to receive MAID and provide "advance consent" once these conditions are fulfilled, thus eliminating the need to give consent immediately before the procedure. Passing such a ruling into law would not make MAID any more appropriate.

Life in all stages is valuable, and sacred. I reiterate – I am totally AGAINST any and all MAID legislation.

Respectfully,

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