

The Honourable David Lametti,
Minister of Justice and Attorney General.
House of Commons,
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A6

October 28, 2020

Dear Mr. Lametti,

As a concerned Canadian citizen, I am writing to oppose your government's legislation, Bill C-7 on euthanasia.

I am genuinely concerned that this bill is flawed and even dangerous for the lives of Canadians.
Bill C-7

- must not permit MAiD when a person has become incompetent even if the person was previously approved
- must not remove the 10-day waiting period as I believe it is an important safeguard
- must provide adequate oversight, review and prosecution of non-compliance with the legislation
- must define “psychological suffering” to actually prevent euthanasia for mental illness alone
- Must provide conscience protection for healthcare professionals

The federal legislation on euthanasia has positioned itself as a healthcare “right” under the *Canada Health Act* so it is publicly funded and accessible to all. Palliative care, however, is not afforded the same status. Dying patients should have access to palliative care as a right.

Will your government undertake a five-year review of the system of euthanasia in Canada as was promised when assisted dying was legalized in 2016 in response to a Supreme Court ruling?

As the Minister of Justice for the Government of Canada, will you support correcting the major flaws in the legislation, Bill C-7, to protect vulnerable Canadians?

Sincerely yours,

Your name
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