

I, Anne-Marie Pike
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in the State of Western Australia, am the promoter of this petition

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PETITION IN RELATION TO EUTHANASIA

To the President and Members of the Legislative Council of the Parliament of Western Australia in Parliament assembled.

We the undersigned residents of Western Australia are opposed to Euthanasia as we believe the push for assisted suicide is driven chiefly by fear of suffering. Governments should be focussed on allaying the fears of the sick and the elderly by ensuring that all Australians have access to the best available palliative care. They should be focussing on ensuring that palliative care continues to improve. Rather than legalising suicide as a solution to fear, pain and suffering, legislators should be working to ensure that all Western Australians receive the best possible end-of-life care, and that no one experiences avoidable end-of-life care suffering. Further, legislators and the community at large should accept the responsibility of making sure that persons enduring unavoidable suffering feel valued and enjoy the best possible quality of life during their illness.

Your petitioners therefore respectfully request the Legislative Council to support a 'Culture of Life' by opposing Euthanasia (whether voluntary or involuntary) and urging the government of the day to assign more resources to Palliative Care and initiatives that enhance and/or improve the quality of life for people with disabilities and/or illness.

And your petitioners as in duty bound, will ever pray.

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