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I did say that my last email should be my last submission to the NT Parliamentary Committee for VAD . However , I am anxious and concerned that everything I have been saying so far about the need for the NT Parliament to pass a more sensible inclusive VAD legislation that would provide a compassionate option for those in advanced old age , if needed , may fall on deaf years . So , again , I would urge the NT lawmakers to do so not only for those of us in advanced old age like myself but for their own sake and that of future generations of Territorians . All of us if we live long enough will eventually get to that unbearable stage in old age where we become totally dependent on others for everything and we are not even able to take care of our own personal hygiene . Walking a mile in the shoes of those in advanced old age , frail and weak with severe mobility issues often lying in bed in their own urine and faeces waiting for someone else to clean them up, could make the lawmakers realise how dire the situation can be if there is no escape from their suffering without VAD which unfortunately in Australia is currently available only to those who are terminally ill . This is why it is crucial for the NT parliament to listen to our concerns about the need to adopt a different approach by passing a more compassionate and inclusive VAD law to alleviate the sufferings of many elderly Territorians , one more in line with Switzerland 's model often considered a leader in end of life matters .

Sincerely,

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