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Dear Committee,

I strongly support making VAD legal in the NT and have done for over 30 years! It is really disrespectful of governments to ignore the wishes of the majority and leave those in the NT with a terminal illness without the option of VAD. An option they would have if they lived anywhere else in Australia.

Detractors conveniently overlook the V in VAD - the option is voluntary. Faith-based objections are not relevant. Fear mongering about slippery slopes has been proved nonsense by experience in other jurisdictions where VAD has been in place for many years.

The 2024 Report into VAD in the NT was comprehensive and I agree with most of the recommendations with the exception of Disease and Prognosis timeframes. There is mounting evidence that a fixed time frame is not useful.

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