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Dear Committee,

We wrote a detailed submission to the above enquiry undertaken by Vicky O'Halloran AO and Duncan McConnell SC. (Report attached)

We attended long and exhaustive community consultations during that enquiry.

We were very satisfied with the extent and quality of that enquiry and content with the recommendations as far as they went.

We are genuinely concerned that this current process, rushed and poorly advertised, is a cynical attempt to avoid progressing the thoughtful recommendations of the O'Halloran/McConnell Report.

We support all 22 Recommendations of the Report as a starting point to get VAD legislation in place as soon as possible.

In addition, we would like to see the capacity to include the provisions of VAD legislation in our Advance Care Plans, so that whilst we have capacity, we can make provision for a future use of VAD laws given certain defined circumstances.

We have already directed that under certain circumstances we will refuse and have directed those responsible for our care to refuse, all medication except pain relief given the advent of dementia.

We would feel more comfortable if a more proactive approach to ending pain and misery if we had dementia were to be available to us. In APPENDIX 10 of the attached report this position was considered by the initial committee who said there was evidence of strong community support for such a provision. We do not believe that has changed.

Yours sincerely

Hugh Bradley AM and Sue Bradley AM