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I am a supporter of VAD. I would like to be assured that if I face a painful death that I can request a shortening of my life. Life for me does not mean the mechanical act of breathing but to be actively taking part in 'living'. To be controlling the events of my day as much as one does - being able to move about - make decisions - shield myself from the unwanted and welcoming the undertakings that I find of interest.

When it comes to Palliative Care, the truth is that not many people will have access to this level of care. There are more non-Christian people in our society. The way democracy works as I understand it, is that the majority should carry the day. I humbly request that you allow VAD throughout Australia - it is the right - the humane thing to do.

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Thankyou

Susan Stern