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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to support the "Health Insurance (Certain Types of Abortion) Amendment Bill 2013" because I strongly believe that something needs to be done to stop gender-selective abortion.

To me this practice seems absolutely appalling and I'm convinced that the overwhelming majority of Australians (and decent human beings across the world) would also be against this practice if they were aware of what was going on. Such discrimination (that is actually far too gentle a word for it) can only result in serious social consequences as well as encouraging thinking that women can be viewed as an object, a commodity and a 'disposable gender'.

One way that a stand can be taken against this terrible activity in Australia, is for the Australian government to refuse Medicare support for Gender Selective abortion. This would act as a disincentive for Gender Selective Abortions and also assist in supporting global campaigns by United Nations agencies. Medicare funding should be used wisely for bringing health benefits, pain from suffering, disease and injury, not wasted, misdirected and spent irresponsibly on the killing of an unborn child. Aborting a child solely because it is a boy or a girl is NOT a medical procedure and should not receive a Medicare benefit.

I could go on with other reasons, however I am hoping that you have many other emails to sort through regarding support on this same issue!

Yours sincerely,

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