To Whom It May Concern,

Re: Health Insurance Amendment (Medicare Funding for Certain Types of Abortion) Bill 2013

I wish to offer my support to the proposed amendment which is currently being reviewed and assessed by this committee. It is obviously a step in the right direction when the protection of unborn children becomes a concern to the citizens and government of any civilised nation.

At present this country is already violating the rights of unborn children by allowing their destruction at the hands of medical professionals. Leaving that travesty to one side, it is reprehensible for that decision to be based simply on the gender of the child.

Discrimination in any form is unacceptable, let alone at the most basic level such as are you male or female? If parents are selfishly inclined to the extent that they do not wish to raise or care for their child simply because they are unhappy with the sex, the Australian people cannot prevent this, however it should not be the responsibility of those same people to pay for this extremely selfish decision.

Medicare is designed to make health care affordable for all. Due to limited funding we already find, seriously ill people waiting for treatments as they do not have the means to pay for private cover or private health care. Medicare was never intended to provide for unnecessary procedures and it certainly was not developed to provide the means to exterminate our unborn children.

Please ensure that the cost of this atrocity is not born by the Australian people or government and force those who are choosing to commit these gender exterminations to at least bare the cost of the procedures, out of their own pockets. Yours Sincerely,

Jacqui Paulson