Senator Madigan,

I am a 'third daughter' and as such I am particularly am incensed to find out that my tax money is being spent to pay for Medicare funded gender abortions of females just because they are females! Women's rights are human rights and human rights are women's rights.

A girl has a right to live not just because she is a girl, not just because she can contribute to society and not just because she could change the world, but because it is her most basic human right.

I am also deeply concerned about the effects of less women in society.

- History has shown that women have a civilising effect on society and we sure need more of this.
- With less females around to be in relationships with males, I feel certain the number of sexual crimes increase. We can look to Asia today to see the effects there with child prostitution, sex trafficking and lack of women's rights such as education.

So I support the "Health Insurance (Certain Types of Abortion) Amendment Bill 2013" and ask that you use your position to urge Australia to support campaigns by United Nations agencies to end the discriminatory practice of gender-selection.

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