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Representatives,

My name is Peter Brodeur and I live at the following address

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I am emailing you to beg you to oppose efforts to legalize assisted suicide in Rhode Island. Please vote against H5219 and any other similar effort.

The direct killing of any morally innocent person, even when the person desiring the killing is that very person, is murder and is immoral.

We have two channels by which we know the truth that this type of killing is wrong, the Scriptures and Reason. The Scriptures tell us in the ten commandments "Thou shalt not kill". Reason tells us killing the morally innocent is wrong and this was so beautifully expressed by Thomas Jefferson in our Declaration of Independence:

"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness."

The government certainly has no claim to an authority that would allow it to take away a morally innocent person's life.

In closing, I again appeal to you all that you please oppose any effort to legalize assisted suicide.

Thank You for your attention,

Peter Brodeur