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As a Registered Nurse for seventeen years, and as a Nurse Practitioner for seventeen more years I have seen many patients die over the course of my career. Some die a pleasant and peaceful death but the vast majority do not. Medical technology has come a long way but I've never been convinced that it's always a good thing. Terminally ill patients don't want to be a burden on their families. What they want is a good quality of life for as long as possible and then an exit strategy of their own terms. I, when my turn comes, hope for that too.

I am writing to voice my support of this legislation with the hope that the State of Connecticut passes it. I am also writing on the behalf of my dear friend, Sharon Hines, who is speaking at the hearing this week.

Sincerely,

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