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Father Joseph Lam, PhD STD Parish Priest St Finbars Catholic Parish Glenbrook PO Box 123 Glenbrook NSW 2773

Dear Father Joseph,

Thank you for taking the time to write to me expressing your concern, and your parishioners' concern, about the Voluntary Assisted Dying (VAD) Bill in New South Wales.

I fully appreciate that this is a complex issue for many people in our community, and there are many strong views on this matter on both sides.

Following careful consideration and reflection, including conversations with local health professionals, friends and family, and hearing from many of my constituents, I have reached the decision to support this legislation.

I have previously supported attempts to legalise VAD in NSW when they have been raised in NSW Parliament in the past. After reviewing the legislation set to appear before the Legislative Assembly from the Member for Sydney, I have come to the conclusion that this is a sensible, comprehensive and thorough Bill which will serve the community well and enable people who choose to do so, to die with dignity within a medically administrated and scrupulously safeguarded framework.

Thank you again for taking the time to write and raise this matter with me. I hope that you and your loved ones, and your parishioners, are okay during this difficult time.

Yours sincerely,

Trish Doyle MP

Member for Blue Mountains









