It was also evident that the Bill did not command the confidence of a number of NHS medical bodies. Legitimate concerns were raised about the potential impact on NHS resources and the risk that an assisted dying service could divert funding and attention away from palliative and end-of-life care.

I also carefully considered the amendments and changes made to the legislation during its passage through Parliament. While some amendments sought to strengthen the safeguards within the Bill, I remained concerned that a number of fundamental issues had not been adequately addressed. For me, these are not issues that can simply be resolved through amendments at a later stage. The safeguards contained in the proposed legislation were not, in my view, robust, clear and capable of protecting vulnerable people from the outset.

It was for these reasons that I voted against the Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill today.

The defeat of the Bill means that it will not proceed any further during this parliamentary session.

Thank you again for taking the time to contact me on this important matter, it is hugely appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

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