To Whom It May Concern, January 24, 2024

As a physician in the great state of Minnesota, I am writing to express my strong opposition to physician assisted suicide. As your constituent, I urge you to oppose H.F. 1930/ S.F. 1813, which remains one of the most aggressive assisted suicide bills in the country.

I have practiced medicine for over 20 years and have never had a patient request assisted suicide. In my clinical experience, there is never a case in which assisted suicide is necessary to relieve pain. We have outstanding palliative care and hospice resources for caring for patients at the end of life. I have personally been a part of the healthcare team at the end of life and have witnessed how peaceful this can be.

I am ethically opposed to harming my patients and am bound by the Hippocratic Oath to “do no harm.” I know that physician assisted suicide will significantly erode trust that patients and their families have in doctors. Significant harm will come from the passage of this bill. Please heed my strong opposition.

Please oppose H.F. 1930/S.F. 1813.

Thank you,

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