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From: shaultz@execpc.com [<mailto:shaultz@execpc.com>]
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Dear Senator Robson;

It is my understanding from a letter from Rep. Bob Turner of Racine that you are not considering holding public hearings on Senate Bill 184. I for one am quite sad that this bill will not receive a public hearing, and have a vote by the full senate.

Attached please find a letter to Sen. Plache which I have recently sent in support of death legislation. I have seen the lingering and suffering, and do not want that type of demise for myself. As I said in the letter, I feel that my "last rights" are being denied by the legislature's decision not to act on this legislation. Will I have to go to court in order to get my last rights? The Senate's failure to act would certainly push me towards such an action. Thanks for your consideration. My best wishes for your continued happiness with life Respectfully, Phillip Schultz.
(full address on attached letter)

July 12, 2001.

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RE: Death With Dignity.

Dear Kim;

You may remember my letter of February, giving some information about Charlie Flegler, who has since died of cancer 3/1/2001, ending his ordeal. Praise the Lord!

I am now writing to you about my Aunt Marie, who has been gradually deteriorating after suffering some minor strokes, recently falling and breaking her collarbone, then after healing and being rehabilitated, falling and breaking her hip, and who now after starting recovery from the hip replacement has fallen for a 3rd time, this time bruising her forehead significantly. She is now basically confined to a wheelchair, and only remembers me when I remind her of my name. She has fluid in her lungs which makes her cough, and has more or less stopped eating. Her prognosis is not good, yet her husband of 60 years is doing the best he can to comfort her and be with her, but is less than optimistic.

I would just like to reiterate to you that I do not wish an expensive and painful lingering demise; While I am still able to choose, I would like the choice of assistance with my death when I feel my time has come.

The painful cries in the wards at Aunt Marie's nursing home by other suffering, slowly dying, and unhappy patients there only serve to fortify My Resolve to request assistance with My Death. If I don't die quickly, Aunt Marie's and Charley's fate may be my own, unless the laws are changed so that I can have my life ended mercifully and unequivocally. I can see no sense to lingering; however, if others want to, I see no reason to stop them, because it is their life, and not mine....

Please change the laws NOW so that I can have the Future option of a painless and humane death to end my days. I really believe my right to die is being denied.

Someone may have to bear the financial and psychological burden of my possible lingering demise. I don't like or want that. Why not make it easier on me, and everyone else who may be involved, and give me my "last rights"?

Sincerely,
Phil Schultz.