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I am a registered nurse working in home health and many of the patients I see have dementia and can no longer care for themselves. Yes, this puts a tremendous burden on their loved ones to provide care for them and we could certainly use more services to assist with this. That would be a better use of your time & money to support rather than push to simply destroy a life because it is "inconvenient".

Every human life is valuable and no one has the right to choose who lives or dies especially if the patient has no say in how he or she lives or dies. I believe this is a dangerous path to start down as it will open the door to the "elimination" of others who may be deemed a burden to society.

Please respect the intrinsic value of each life and let us work on providing better healthcare and support for difficult care needs.