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Hello,

I am a nurse at a Large hospital in Portland. I have taken care of the sick and dying for almost 20 years. It is a privilege and an honor. This population often suffer from depression but when someone gives them love and care, they find joy within themselves .Assisted suicide is the opposite of compassionate care, it says to the patient 'You don't matter'. Have you thought of an incentive to visit/care for people who have expressed the desire for assisted suicide, like a tax credit? We would see the suicide rate plummet. Oregon could be the first state to do this. We need to support the dying with support systems and caring people, Because They Matter. Stop making it easier for negligent practitioners commit this criminal act. VOTE NO ON SB 1003.