Statement by Sharla Christie

While my story and plea to be heard by this court may not be heart-rending or prosaic, I appeal to the underlying sense of service accountability and integrity that necessarily attends those who have risen to the level of one entrusted with decisions for and in behalf of the People of this or any state.

Considering and determining the right of individuals to choose their path, be it through means or methods, is a high and noble task, one upon which each judge's ideals must be founded both on ethical and moral grounds. Neither situation can or should create an environment where elitism, cronyism or just bald-faced pride should trump the already difficult road in place for Citizens to enact even a small piece of their own structure.

Even the very essence of this question demands that it be considered, not on a cold and corrupt floor, but on the contrary, as a very personal and individual issue, for the needs of those who suffer, whether physically through illness or disability, or through dignity of self-direction and freedom, must not be taken lightly or dismissed.

Therefore, with due respect, I would ask the court to side with The People of this State in upholding the inherent rights of free men and women to determine their own course, without the outright meddling and manipulation we have seen with regard to Proposition 2.

Thank you.

3/24/2019 Signature: Date: [Type your full name above] [Type date above]