

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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## Shocking rejection of human life

Pro-life advocacy group FamilyVoice Australia is "appalled" by the "shocking rejection of human life" made by the Public Health Association that opposes the *Children Born Alive Protection Bill* proposed by Senators Alex Antic and Matt Canavan.

According to FamilyVoice spokesman David d'Lima, the nation's peak advocacy group for public healthcare must call for the protection of babies who survive termination and are born alive.

"We are appalled that the Public Health Association rejects the provision of medical assistance to babies surviving abortion," he said.

"The remarks of association chief Terry Slevin are a shocking rejection of human life."

According to its website, the Public Health Association exists to advance the health and well-being of all Australians as the nation's peak healthcare advocacy group.

"Given its mission statement, the association cannot logically deny the humanity of babies born alive after abortion, and their acute need for care," David d'Lima said.

FamilyVoice is also concerned by the Public Health Association CEO's remarks about the motives of parliamentarians.

"It's outrageous for the association to suggest the *Children Born Alive Protection Bill* is designed to build a political supporter base.

"The association does not exist for the purpose of political character assassination, but to advocate for improved healthcare," David d'Lima said.

FamilyVoice additionally criticised the Public Health Association for its approval of the Indigenous Voice to Parliament.

"It's hard to see how the healthcare crisis facing remote Indigenous communities will be remedied by constitutional alterations that can only divert public funds away from worthy causes, such as aboriginal healthcare, to pay for massively increased bureaucracy."



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