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Sad Day for NSW as it Becomes the New Killing State

The vote in NSW Parliament House today at high noon resulted in a 23 votes 'For' and 15 'Against' the Voluntary Assisted Dying Bill.

"Despite the unequivocally rejection of euthanasia and assisted suicide by all major faith traditions sends the wrong message to those contemplating suicide, particularly the young, elderly and lonely. MPs have failed to to adopt their ethical and religious conscience in opposing this bill," said Greg Bondar, NSW State Director for FamilyVoice Australia.

In a pluralistic society, parliament has failed to provide space for religious believers to act in accordance with their beliefs, both individually and in association with others. For this reason, the failed amendments that would have allowed faith-based hospitals and aged care facilities to continue to serve the community in accordance with their ethos is a disaster for not only Christians but all Australians.

NSW has, sadly, now joined the other 'killing states' in Australia.

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