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To the Committee

Family and Community Development

This submission to the Inquiry STAGE 2 is on behalf of my intellectually disabled daughter aged 61 years, who now has an added disability, that being, profound Deafness

As her mother, I have always been prepared to ensure she is able to enjoy a safe, rewarding lifestyle.

For 43 years it has been necessary for her to receive support for that lifestyle from Service Providers

During the preparation of the Intellectually Disabled Persons Act 1986 I attended Seminars to become conversant with what this legislation could mean to her life, after which I supplied a submission to the Review of Disability Legislation in Victoria (Aug 29<sup>th</sup> 2003) please find enclosed correspondence to support that submission.

It has been necessary since 2009 for me to encourage my daughter to engage support from an Advocate from DAIS, and to lodge a complaint to the Disability Services Commissioner to ensure her well being, and provide satisfying Day Programs.

I have retained all the correspondence in regard to these matters. We are grateful to those members of Staff who have been prepared to act responsibly to ensure her health and welfare improved

I have studied this Enquiry STAGE 1, in particular the consideration given to workforce training, supervision, and systems for handling complaints was essential.

My study of the Disability Act 2006 indicated how Service Providers were bound by the objectives and principles, in particular SECTION 6.

Stage 2 of this Enquiry indicates extra provision for Service Providers to support people with Disability to gain Accession to the National Disability Insurance Scheme is a further positive.

The aim of this Submission to the Enquiry is to ensure my daughter, and other members of the Community who are disabled, receive the respect, dignity and freedom from abuse they deserve. The Disability Act 2006 was enacted to achieve this respect, so this submission is to support those ideals too,

Yours Sincerely

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