I am a resident of Northern Ireland and have been all my life.

I believe very strongly that Northern Ireland’s law on abortion must be respected. It is not acceptable for Westminster to attempt to override the will of the people expressed through our elected representatives in February 2016.

In Northern Ireland something like 100,000 people are alive today because of our existing Abortion law. In the rest of the UK there have been almost 9 million abortions since the 1967 Abortion Act came into force. This is far more than was ever envisaged when the Act was introduced. In the year 2016 98% of the abortions in GB were carried out for social reasons and not medical or health reasons.

I believe that liberalising Northern Ireland’s abortion laws will fundamentally undermine human rights. It will take away the right to life of the most vulnerable in our society.

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