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To the Australian Law Reform Commission,

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the legalisation of surrogacy in Australia. As a parent and someone who is passionate about human rights issues, I believe that surrogacy has serious human rights implications and modern slavery/human trafficking risks for both babies and surrogate mothers.

With respect to question 2 of the inquiry, I believe that the reform principles should prioritize the interests of all children and protect the rights of women from sexual and reproductive abuse.

In regards to questions 16, 17, and 21, I urge the ALRC to keep international and commercial surrogacy illegal to safeguard the rights of the child and birth mother. It is crucial to protect the right of a child to know their biological parent.

Furthermore, with respect to question 13, I believe that surrogacy advertising should be prohibited to prevent exploitation and coercion.

I strongly urge the ALRC to consider the ethical and human rights implications of surrogacy and to maintain the current laws prohibiting commercial surrogacy in Australia.

Sincerely,
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