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Dear Australian Law Reform Commission,

As a concerned parent and advocate for human rights, I am writing to express my strong opposition to the legalisation of surrogacy in Australia. In response 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. With regards to question 3, Australia should prohibit all forms of surrogacy, especially commercial surrogacy, due to the risks of exploitation and commodification of women and children.

Furthermore, I urge the ALRC to maintain the current stance against international and commercial surrogacy, as outlined in questions 16, 17, and 21. These practices pose significant human rights risks for both the child and the birth mother, and should not be legalized. It is essential to protect the child's right to know their biological parent and ensure their well-being.

Lastly, in response to question 13, I believe that surrogacy advertising should be prohibited to prevent the exploitation of vulnerable women.

Thank you for considering my views on this important issue.

Sincerely,
John

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