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To whom it may concern,

I am writing in reference to the pending legislation regarding the anti-bikie laws. As a wife of a member of one of these mentioned clubs i have much to say on the matter.

First and foremost above all else i would like to mention my husband who will be the one most affected should these laws pass.

My husband has been part of this club for over 4 years, prior to this time i had little to do with, if not nothing, to do with motorcycle clubs in general.

I have learnt from joining this world the men within his club are law abiding, kind, generous, family oriented men who seek nothing but the company and respect of fellow motorcycling loving men. They enjoy spending time together riding their bikes and building friendships with one another. Wearing their "Colours" or patches is a way of showing their love and respect they hold for each and every member of their club.

My husband has absolutely no criminal record, not even a parking fine. He holds respect for the law and lives an honest hard working life. His beliefs, as are mine, are that serious crimes should not go unpunished and individuals who take part in such things should be dealt the full extent of the law.

However this legislation is not singling out individuals or making it known that one persons crime is not anothers, it is not punishing the minority but rather the majority. When did our society decide it was ok to punish someone for the crime of another? That talking or meeting a person that had taken it upon themselves to commit a crime immediately put you in the firing line and presumed you had the same intentions?

An article from the ABC news states, and i quote

"

A number of these people have been convicted of serious criminal offences including drug trafficking and Tasmanian society deserves protection from these type of people."

A statement I whole heartedly agree with IF these types of people being referred to were not put in a category that also includes many law abiding citizens.

These types of people. I would like to believe they mean criminals and not motorcycle club members. "Types of people" that can be involved in drug trafficking can include, teachers, lawyers, doctors. These people are not exempt from being serious criminals due to their choice of activities.

I am not oblivious or naive to the fact the motorcycle world has criminals among them but once again these are "individuals" that choose to commit such crimes and the only thing they share with every other member of a club is a love of Harley's not a love of crime.

A whole country can not be punished for the crime of some, a whole class cannot be punished for the crime of one, a whole company cannot be punished for the crime of an employee and a whole club cannot be punished for the actions of some.

That is exactly what is going to happen if these laws pass. Our government will be taking away human rights to punish some while affecting all.

There must be a better way Tasmania.

Kid regards  
Chloe