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*Subject: Supporting Surrogacy Law Reform*

*by email*

Dear [insert MP’s name],

I wrote to your earlier this year about the proposed reforms to surrogacy law in the UK.

As my local MP, I would like to follow up with some more information and a request for you to represent my views on surrogacy in Parliament.

As you might know, the Law Commissions’ report and draft legislation was published on 29th March 2023 (<https://www.lawcom.gov.uk/project/surrogacy/>). It contains some proposals that I believe will be very positive for surrogacy in the UK including:

* maintenance of the UK’s altruistic approach to surrogacy, and continued protection for surrogates’ bodily autonomy;
* a new pathway for surrogacy in the UK in which intended parents will be recognised as legal parents from the birth of their child;
* establishment of regulated surrogacy organisations (RSOs) overseen by the overseen by the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Authority (HFEA);
* a Surrogacy Register that will allow surrogate-born people to access information about their origins.

These changes are really important to me. [please add a reminder about your personal relationship to surrogacy and any updates that have happened since you last wrote].

I would be extremely grateful if you can represent my experience and wishes for reform by taking forward at least one of the actions below:

1. **Write to your party leader asking them to include support for the proposed laws in the party’s next manifesto.**
2. **Join the APPG on Surrogacy:** please contact Andrew Percy’s office by emailing kassim.qureshi@parliament.uk for further details.
3. **Write to the Minister**, asking them to put time aside for the bill to be debated in the next session of parliament.
4. **Submit a Parliamentary Question.**
5. **Read the briefing document** from the APPG here: <https://bit.ly/APPGBriefing>

Thank you for taking the time to read this email and, I hope, for your support on this issue. I would be very happy to talk to you more about this and to visit you at one of your surgeries to discuss this in more detail.

Kind regards

[insert your name]

[Insert your address - this is essential]

[Insert your contact details (phone and email)]