

Right to Die Society of Canada

Realism



Responsibility



Respect

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Dead at Noon

“I want out before the day when I can no longer assess my situation, or take action to bring my life to an end.”



There could also come a time when I simply must make a decision based on my deteriorating physical health ... I would not want a fall, a stroke, or some unforeseen complication to mess up my decision to cost Canada as little as possible in my declining years.

... Understand that I am giving up nothing that I want by committing suicide.



“I did pick up that I needed to know
when to leave, and that is now.”



“This is all much tougher than it need be on Jonathan, and I wish he did not have to be alone with his wife's corpse. Canadian law makes it a crime for anyone to assist a person committing suicide, and Jonathan, therefore, will in no way assist me.”



“Today, now, I go cheerfully and so
thankfully into that good night.
Jonathan, the courageous, the
faithful, the true and the gentle,
surrounds me with company.
I need no more.

It is almost noon.”



Gill Pharoah

May 2015

My Last Word

“I am aware of a steady decline in my energy and enthusiasm for life. In fact, I feel my life is complete and I am ready to die.”



“I simply do not want to follow this natural deterioration through to the last stage”



“I have had to make my exit while I am in my right mind and capable of doing so without too much assistance, because I am afraid of compromising the people around me whom I love.”



“I could also be sure that I will never be an old lady blocking beds in a hospital ward. This would save the NHS a fortune.”





“Now I want people to remember me as I am now - a bit worn around the edges and not quite at my peak, but still recognizably me!”

