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Dear Jenny,

Thank you for your letter and the copy of your submission to the Minister of Health regarding the possible recommendations of the Maternity Services Committee, on home births.



I am a supporter of home birth as an alternative to Hospital delivery and I would view with considerable concern any proposals by government to eliminate the home birth alternative.

I intend to look into the exact position at present, and the likely recommendations which the government advisory committee will make.

I agree that \$7000 is not a salary which could attract suitably qualified persons into midwifery.

Thank you for raising your concern with me. You can be assured I have a strong interest in the subject:

Yours sincerely

Helen Clark

MP for Mt Albert

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