

Adm Margaret Dove

BEFORE THE LEGISLATURE OF THE
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In Re SB 128

DECLARATION OF WILLIARD
JOHNSTON, MD

I, Williard Johnston, declare the following under penalty of perjury.

1. I am a family practice doctor in Vancouver, BC, Canada, where I have had my own practice since 1985.
2. In the first week of December 2014, a mother brought in her twenty year old son for an emergency appointment. She had told me that he had been acting oddly and talking about death.
3. During the appointment, I asked the young man if he had a plan. He said "yes" that he had watched Ms. Maynard's video, that he was very impressed and identified with her and that he thought it was a good idea for him to die like her. He also told me that after watching the video he had been surfing the internet looking for ways to obtain suicide drugs.

4. He was actively suicidal and agreed to go to the hospital, where he stayed for five weeks until it was determined that he was sufficiently safe from self-harm to go home.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the British Columbia, Canada, that the foregoing is true and correct.

SIGNED AND DATED this 24 day of may, 2015, at Vancouver BC, Canada.



Williard Johnston, MD