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To whom it may concern:

My name is Eric King and I am a Liver Donor recipient. In Feb of 2012 I was diagnosed with Liver Cancer. My Cancer had progressed to the point where my only hope was a full Liver transplant..My life was coming to an end very soon without this as there were no other options. In November of 2012 I was given the news that nobody ever wants to hear..I was told to go home and put my affairs in order, spend as much time with my family as I could and try to enjoy the Christmas holidays.. The only thing the Doctors had positive to say was they would do everything possible to make me comfortable until the end.

Then on December 19th I received a call from the QE11 that they had a Liver for me and I received my new Liver the next morning on the 20th of December 2012..

My life was saved by the generous donation of a 30 year old man from NS.

Since then I have met the Donor family and we have all stayed in Touch and share many occasions together..They have embraced me and my entire family as one of their own. They find comfort in the fact that their son lives on in my body and that of three more people.

They're is no doubt that without this gift of life I would be long gone by now and would never have seen my beautiful Granddaughter walk, speak, hold my hand, kiss my cheek, give me big hugs and tell me in her own special way " I Love You Papa"

My wife and I are celebrating our 44th Anniversary vey soon..

I could go on for pages with all the good things that have happened but instead I want to say this.

The Premiers announcement to have our Govt. and our Province adopt an "opt out"policy is the most wonderful news to have come forward in a long time in my opinion and I pray it will become reality.

I fully understand some people's negative reaction and their religious beliefs surrounding this topic but you have the option..OPT OUT.

Sign the necessary document to OPT OUT and life goes on for you..

There are so many people dying while sitting on a waiting list praying for a life saving organ. This Bill will save so many lives.

I was attending an Organ Donor event in Ottawa last week when this announcement broke and there was shouting and jubilation from everybody from all the Provinces in Canada.

This is a good thing..please please make this come true.

Kindness regards

Eric, Marilyn, Jonathan, Keith and Lily King