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## HOUSE OF COMMONS, LONDON, SW1A 0AA

## <u>Seni's Law</u>

Thank you to everyone who has contacted me about the Mental Health Units (Use of Force) Private Members Bill, also known as 'Seni's Law'.

I was pleased that this Private Member's Bill, introduced by Labour MP Steve Reed, passed its third reading this month, without the need for a vote.

The death of Seni Lewis who died while being restrained in a mental health hospital was a tragedy that should not have happened. The proposals in this Bill will help to protect people experiencing a mental health crisis and hopefully help prevent similar tragedies from happening in the future. For Seni's parents, it also means their son did not die in vain because this Bill will be an important step in towards ensuring that no else suffers and dies the way he did.

The Bill will now move on to consideration in the House of Lords and I will continue to support moves to make our mental health services equal and safe for everyone.

Thanks again to everyone who has contacted me about Seni's Law.

Best wishes,

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