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Persuasive Speech Assignment
Organ Donor/ practice of organ donation

Speech Outline

General goal: To persuade

Specific goal: I want to convince my audience that becoming an organ donor/practicing organ donation is a gift worth giving.

Introduction

- I. Organ donors and those practicing organ donation are people that not only speak love but live it by their actions. It's a beautiful thing to know that you can add or enhance someone else life by giving them a second chance. It can be compared to what Jesus Christ did for us because of his love, he showed us not only told us.
- II. Becoming an organ donor is the best gift of opportunity a person can give. The importance of becoming an organ donor was demonstrated in the movie John Q starring Denzel Washington. The character John Q nine year old son was desperately in need of a heart transplant that his parents couldn't afford and the possibility of finding a suitable match was slim to none.
- III. There are many reasons why people do not practice organ donation but one reason to take into consideration is because of "humanity." Why should a family be faced with devastating news that their loves have to face death because there aren't enough donors because those that pass on refused to but their organs to good use or those that are alive prefer not to make a difference if they possibly can.
- IV. We all know of someone that was probably in an accident or had a terrible disease and needed to have a transplant. Most of us would not think twice if it were a family member that needed a kidney or lung and we were a match just to keep them alive. But how about instead of practicing organ donation because of a loved one, loving humanity enough to show the same grace.
- V. I've often thought about this idea whenever the topic arise and I've wondered if someone close to me that I deeply loved needed a transplant that would enhance their lives and I could grant them the opportunity to continue living would I. And my answer usually is the same, yes I would because of love.
- VI. Deciding to donate an organ or practice organ donation is a special gift that one could give even while considering the risks and failed possibilities but the satisfaction felt when seeing the joy of someone who has a second chance at living.

Body

Let's think about why is it important to become an organ donor or practice organ donation.

1.
 - a. According to mayoclinic.org “over 100,000 people in the U. S. are waiting for an organ transplant. Unfortunately, many may never get the call saying that a suitable organ donor and a second chance at life has been found.”
 - b. 17 people die every day while waiting for an organ transplant.
 - c. Every 10 minutes a person is added to that list with the hopes of finding a suitable match
2.
 - a. Data shows that the numbers for practice of organ donation is on the increase. In 2017 10, 286 people donated an organ after they were deceased, while in 2021 the numbers rose to 13, 863. (data.hrsa.gov)
 - b. The number for people on the waiting list however, continues to fluctuate. In 2017 there were 57, 799, in 2019 the number was 61, 164, and in 2020 data showed that 55, 058 people were candidates.

Conclusion

- a. After taking into consideration the content provided we can see why deciding to become an organ donor/practice organ donation can enhance the chance of someone receiving such a gift that can transform their lives.
- b. Religion, risks, low probability and other factors should not hinder us from giving such a beautiful gift.
- c. Humanity should love as we're commanded to do should be enough for us to consider this practice either when we've passed on or while we're here. To know that someone can breathe better, see brighter or hear clearer is justification enough based on satisfaction of those receiving such an awesome gift.

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