

To the Committee,
Senate Standing Committee on Environment, Communications and the Arts,
Parliament House,
Canberra, 2000.

I congratulate the Senate on voting to hold an enquiry into the sexualisation of our children it is certainly a step in the right direction. The responsibility of the media to stick to decency guidelines is long overdue. There seems to be no rules when it comes to profit. As a mother and a grandmother of four beautiful granddaughters ranging in age from 7 to 16 I am dismayed at what is presented to vulnerable youngsters as being fit to see and listen to and to wear.

I am saddened to see girls as young as fifteen being financially encouraged to have multiple children without being married. Family values are ridiculed and fathers are considered obsolete, and moral values are laughed at.

Children need strong families who are committed to each other for life. There are a lot of folk out there who feel the way I do.

Sincerely yours,
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