Dear Sir or Madam,

My Husband and I feel compelled to express our feelings to your Committee regarding the sexualisation of our children in society today.

We are saddened and often absolutely sickened by the sexual exploitation of our youngsters through the printed and electronic media. Sexualisation of our children is increasing and it is so hard to stand back and watch the effect this is having on our youngsters.

As parents, Grand Parents and Great Grand Parents we find ourselves at a loss to understand why, in this wonderfully caring society that we have in Australia, we constantly allow our children to be stripped of their right to those precious years of innocence.

Please, we appeal to your Committee, to 'stand in the gap' for the age of innocence, and vote for children to be allowed to be that - 'just children' - and not beings to be exploited for financial gain or much worse!

Thank you so much for your attention.

Regards, May Forrest.

From May & John Forrest