Senate Legal & Constitutional Affairs Committee

Parliament House

CANBERRA ACT 2600

Friday 1st August 2008

RE: Family Law Amendment (De Facto Financial Matters and Other Measures) Bill 2008

Dear Committee Members

The Fatherhood Foundation submits that the Family Law Court should not be used for same-sex relationships as this demeans marriage.

Children need a mother and a father and the attached evidence shows this to be the case. Heterosexual marriage is the best way to preserve the right of children to a mother and a father. Therefore we reject the Family Law Amendment (De Facto Financial Matters and Other Measures) Bill 2008. Those entering same sex relationships can use contracts and civil law to protect their interests but these relationships should not be treated as equivalent to marriage between a man and a woman for life. Failure to support heterosexual marriage will harm our children.

Yours faithfully

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