To the Parliament:

Re: Submission to parliament for the proposed amendment to the Marriage Bill.

I believe the following enactment is being considered in that it will:

- 1. Make marriage a union between "two persons" regardless of gender: homosexual marriage will be legally identical to heterosexual marriage.
- 2. Propose to remove the traditional words said in the marriage vows and allows all people to make up their own vows...
- 3. Open the door to the right of homosexual couples to adopt children.
- 4. And by progression, imply that our schools and systems will now be required to teach that homosexuality is a normal variant of human sexuality.

This is strongly opposed by my wife as well as myself. As parents of 6 children, we aim to be living examples of the unity between a husband and a wife. A unity that we believe is sacred and for life-giving. We are here to protect the sanctity of marriage and the roles and responsibilities associated with education of our children in accordance with right order based on physiological and theological function. Homosexual couples, were not designed to procreate.

With technology and agencies, it is possible to afford them what is beyond their physiological function the right to parenthood, however parenthood is not determined by how much love they have in their hearts, for each other or adopted children. The end does more than not just the means here. It has flow on effects that are quite devastating.

Influence on Children:

Children are easily influenced and do not hold the appropriate reasoning powers to decide what they should be taught as normal. They are to learn from people who have more wisdom and experience. Legislating a view that the union between a man and man or a woman and a woman is normal and natural sends a message to these children that this has been well thought out by adults and if they accept it then it's okay for us to follow suit. There is nothing pro-creational about anal sex. There is nothing pro-creational about the insertion of penile substitutes into a woman's body. At what age can we consent to our children performing these acts for self-gratification? Since sex is such a pleasurable and addictive act, there is no doubt that people of the same sex de-sire (Paradoxically this is defined as "to give birth to") such pleasure and will find it hard to admit to it being unnatural. Their homosexual argument about it being natural is based solely on the fact that it produces a natural physiological response, nothing more. No life, just pleasure.

The only thing these acts do is satisfy a need between same-sex couples, something they were not physically designed for. How far do we go to satisfy a need and what steps must be used to guide this process? These are very important issues, and if parliament sees the need to discuss this because of it constituents, please consider that you not only have the responsibility to represent your constituents but also to preserve what gives life. Many great people of power have done so before you, taken a stand and stood up for life.

We urge	parliament	to unhol	d the	sanctity	of	marriage

We pray for your courage and wisdom in this matter.

Yours sincerely,

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