RE: Marriage Equality Amendment Bill 2009

To whom it may concern,

It has recently come to my attention that a proposal has been put forward by the Greens called the Marriage Equality Amendment Bill 2009. I would like to like to put forward a submission in regards to this amendment.

Marriage is designed to be between one man and one woman only. It should not be allowed to extend to same sex relationships. There is only one way people can be married and that is to a member of the opposite sex.

"Marriages" of same sex couples from overseas should not be recognized when they move to Australia. This nation must adhere to one standard for everyone, we cannot allow people to get "married" overseas and then come to Australia to live if they are same sex couples.

There are many reasons why marriage should remain between a man and a woman. Just a few of these are included below:

Relationships between males and females are natural and life-giving. In nature we can see that only those "couples" that are made up of opposite sexes can reproduce and therefore raise their offspring well. The same rules as we see exhibited in nature should apply to us as well.

Males and females complement each other. Males tend to be more analytical and females more creative (this is a generalization but a fairly accurate one I would suggest.) If you have a "marriage" of two women or two men, then you have an imbalance in the natural order of things.

If we change the laws regarding marriage to include same sex relationships, it will only be a matter of time before we are changing them again to allow bigamy and other such disgusting practices.

Marriage must NOT be allowed to be destroyed and made into whatever the current philosophy is. There are some things in our society that need to remain constant and sure – marriage between a man and a woman is one of these things.

Yours Sincerely,

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