

25th August, 2009

The Convenor,
Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Convenor,

RE: Senator Hanson-Young's Private Member's Bill: Marriage Equality.

It is important for the welfare of Australian society that marriage remain solely as the union between 1 man and 1 woman. This is especially important should children be added (either naturally or by adoption). Children need parents of both genders. It is not right to subject the nurture of children to the latest fashion in our society.

Marriage should not be seen as a celebration of diversity. It must be held in the honour it deserves as a lifelong union between a man and a woman based on love, commitment, loyalty and discipline. It must not be used to demonstrate some kind of cultural diversity or sexual freedom.

Yours faithfully,

Dougal Pottie