Dear Queensland Senators.

Please pretty please do not change the definition of marriage.

Marriage being defined as between a man and a woman strengthens our society and communities by affirming the value of family, encouraging the best environment for raising children, endorsing the unique role of father and the unique role of mother, and endorsing the value of commitment, the sanctity of commitment.

Marriage needs to be held up by our parliaments as special, unique and sacred because men & women need to be encouraged to get married and stay married, for life, to raise offspring in the most healthy way, for the health, prosperity and future wellbeing of our society. Redefining marriage undermines the incentive for men & women to stay in a lifelong, committed, faithful union that raises offspring in the healthiest way.

For the health of our society and future generations, please pretty please do not change the definition of marriage.

Thank you kindly in advance.

Yours sincerely

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