

**Senate Committee Submission, 14 August 2009**

**Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee, Australian Senate**

**Re: Marriage Equality**

As an Australian citizen, a gay man and a first class taxpayer of the country of Australia, I strongly urge my honourable Senators to do the right thing and vote in favour of marriage equality of all citizens.

All members of the Australian Senate, whether conservative or liberal, should be in favour of avoiding unwarranted intrusiveness into the private lives of its citizens. Indeed, the government has no business in deciding who can and cannot marry on the basis of gender and sexual orientation.

Allow your gay brothers and sisters, mothers and fathers, aunts and uncles, and friends to marry

the person they love.

Yours respectfully,

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