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Submission: Dear Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee,

This is my submission to your inquiry into marriage equality. I fully endorse the submission made by Australian Marriage Equality in favour of the Marriage Equality Amendment Bill 2009.

I have been with my partner for 6 years and we are about to start a family. We own a home together, work hard and live a happy life. Why should we be discriminated against? We are no different to anybody else, we go about our lives helping others and well just living life.

Allowing same sex marriage will do more than just allow same sex couples to seek the same treatment as their heterosexual friends. It will begin to create a much needed culture in Australia that discrimination is not right and has no place in Australian society. When the Australian government blatantly discriminates on the basis of sexuality, what hope do we as a society have in ending discrimination? The Australian government needs to take a stand and let all its people know they are valued and equal in the eyes of the law.