Dear Sir/Madam

I do not believe that it is in the best interests of families and the community at large to water-down,or modify the Marriage Act.

The *Marriage Amendment Bill 2004*, encompasses what we have always known: that marriage is "between one man and one woman, to the exclusion of all others, voluntarily entered into for life".

I believe that:

- True Marriage is only between a man and a woman anything else is not marriage and should not be considered as such.
- The Traditional marriage between one man and one woman, is the natural and best way to bring children into the world and has provided a stability and foundation to social fabric of our society that Parliament should be defending and strengthening at every opportunity.
- Family-based traditional marriage has long been proven to be the best place for raising children.
- Opening marriage to other relationships devalues the social standing of marriage and has no proven benefits, other relationships are not true marriages and should remain "other relationships"

I plead with you to REJECT this Bill.

Yours faithfully

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