

Dear Senators,

In many areas of society, we find it appropriate and necessary to “positively” discriminate for the benefit disadvantaged groups and society as a whole, eg refugees, indigenous groups, socially disadvantaged etc.

The traditional marriage “between a man & a women for life to the exclusion of all others” is such an example of where, for the benefit of society, such positive discrimination is necessary and desirable.

Whilst all people are equal, not all relationships are equal. The union of a man & a woman, especially in marriage, is a unique kind of relationship. One that has been proved to provide the most desirable environment to raise children and has been the cornerstone of western civilization for many thousands of years.

Please do not denigrate this institution by elevating other forms of relationships to the same status as marriage.

Regards

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