

INQUIRY INTO SAME SEX MARRIAGE LAW IN NSW

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To Whom it May Concern,

I am writing to tell you that I am strongly opposed to changing the definition of marriage.

I believe that marriage is a unique relationship between one man and one woman.

I believe that marriage is the foundation of strong healthy families which in turn is the foundation of our society. I strongly believe that all children should be given the chance to start life with both their biological parents. There is research showing that a child with married, biological mother and father do best academically and social and then as a member of adult society.

I also want to state that marriage is deeply valued by a large proportion of the Australian population (including myself) for cultural and religious reasons and that I believe belief this should be respected.

I strongly believe that redefining marriage has potential serious consequences for religious freedom and freedom of conscience for Australians. I do not want to have to have fear of the consequences of telling my children that only a man and a woman can get married (as if the definition is changed by law, the state is going have to enforce it on the population).

Thanks for your consideration of my views.