## INQUIRY INTO SAME SEX MARRIAGE LAW IN NSW

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To whom it may concern,

Both my wife and I are concerned with the push to enshrine same-sex marriage in australia and make it equal with heterosexual marriage in australia. We believe that the rights of children have been overlooked in this matter and also believe in the distinct and unique characteristics that a man and a women bringing up children together offer. Men are strong and can use that strength for good in the case of the childs welfare if the need arises, while both sexes are courageous in their different ways, a mans strength allows him to uniquelly be available to deal with threats that the family faces. I myself personally grew up on a farm in an isolated area away from medical help and i can tell you it was my Dad that killed snakes that encroached to close to the family house not my mum! What would happen if children in the same situation were in a same-sex relationship with two mums! I cant see the snakes getting killed thats for sure! Similarly, Women have unique characteristics that children need. Especially in the early developmental years the kindness, compassion and nurturing ability of women is vital. Somehow I know deep down that myself as a Man does not have these characteristics to the extent needed to raise a child. Therefore what would happen to children raised in a same -sex environment without the unique characteristics of a mother? Besides the fact that the marriage union between a man and women has been displayed across the whole world in many cultures and religions would indicate to me its inherent value and its specialness. It in fact outlives government, and i notice that the Australian government pray before commencing parliament guestion time, do they believe in the God that they pray to though? Sometimes it would seem not, because if they knew this God then they would know that in his word in clearly outlines in the first two chapters of his word the Bible, how he created everything and bought the first two people together, Adam and Eve. It wasnt Adam and Steve! No they were uniquely complenmentary for each other. At this stage there are some out there that might call me a religious bigot who is homophobic. Well that is not the case, my very own brother is openly Gay and I still love him very much, i simply do not agree with his choices. But you cant accuse me of being homophobic?!! Thats for sure!