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Legislation Committee

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To: Legislation Committee
Subject: Submission to Inquiry into Human Reproductive Technology and Surrogacy Legislation Amendment Bill 2018

Dear Members of the Standing Committee on Legislation,

I am writing to address your inquiry into the *Human Reproductive Technology and Surrogacy Legislation Amendment Bill 2018*, which I understand will amend the *Human Reproductive Technology Act 1991* and the *Surrogacy Act 2008* to enable male same-sex couples and single men to access surrogacy.

I wish to register my disagreement with this proposed bill and my opposition to it. It is my firm belief that children are to be conceived and brought up within a family of a mother and a father. It is my belief that marriage is a biblical institution and the family is the foundational unit in society. The fact that general sentiments in this regard are changing is not a valid reason to legislate for alternatives, especially not for male same-sex couples and single men to be able to access surrogacy. That legislation has been enacted to recognise same-sex relationships does not mean that access to surrogacy and adoption must necessarily follow.

Yours faithfully,

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