Media Release

**Thanks for Putting our Children First**

Last night the Tasmanian Upper House voted against the proposed homosexual marriage legislation. The president is not required to vote unless there is a tied result so the vote in the 15 member Legislative Council was 8:6 against.

Warwick Marsh, CEO of Dads4Kids said, *“We thank the wise and far-sighted members of the Upper House who have put the interests of our children first. Children have a biological right to a mother and a father. Homosexual marriage would rob them of that right. Many proponents of homosexual marriage would disagree, but they are not being honest about the consequences of their politically correct proposals. The new socialist government in France is much more candid about its true intentions in its quest to introduce homosexual marriage. France has openly indicated that they will ban the words ‘mother’ and ‘father’ from all official documents. The word ‘father’ has already been removed from some birth certificates in NSW by proponents of homosexual marriage. In Canada where homosexual marriage has been legalised since 2005, those who say that children need a mother and a father have been accused of homophobia and being purveyors of hate speech but the reverse is true. Those who loudly proclaim their support for homosexual marriage are engaged in a war against the most defenceless in our society, our children. To remove a child’s right to their biological parents is tantamount to child abuse. Sometimes in life such tragedies occur but government should never be party to such diabolical discrimination of those who cannot speak for themselves.”*

Mr Marsh continued, *“Dads4Kids and the pro-family groups of Australia applaud and thank the members of the Tasmanian parliament who had the courage to put the children of Australia first. This matter should be put to rest once and for all. Not only are the states beginning to see the dangers of such legislation but the Federal Government is also aware of its need to protect the rights of children.”*

*“Last week 98 Members of the House of Representatives (98:42) and 41 members of the Senate (41:26) voted overwhelmingly to put Australia’s children first when they rejected bills for same sex marriage. The high level of support for the natural family in the parliament was extraordinary and encouraging considering the relentless pro-homosexual marriage campaign waged by many members of the Australian media. It shows that the people of Australia are not easily fooled. Political correctness is doomed to failure. Mothers and fathers are here to stay. Children should not be discriminated against by proponents of flawed feminist ideology.”*

Dads4Kids honours our courageous parliamentarians including our Prime Minister and the Leader of the Opposition for sending a clear message to the families and media of Australia that our children should always come first.

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