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<i>Colin H. Hunter</i>	COLIN H. HUNTER	1819 Alaska Dr Fairbanks AK 99701	457-3333	

Testimony for SJR42 to House Finance

Thank you for the fair and just treatment in the course of this legislative investigation of SJR42. I realize that this legislature has already wasted much time and expense pushing this issue in the wrong direction.

This issue arose a few months ago when judge Peter Michaelski ruled that SB308 was unconstitutional and asked the state to provide a compelling interest for the law. Now if Sen. Loren Leman is correct that gay marriages will inevitably devastate our society, than there must be hundreds of proven compelling reasons for denying gay couples the right to marry. Just give one of those reasons to the judge and its all over. The state will have fulfilled the legal requirement for the statue to become law. If the state cannot come up with a valid compelling interest, then there is no reason to mess with our constitution.

The Senate Republicans sure thought they had some good reasons during their floor debate. Apparently they were afraid to submit their reasons to a "constitutionality test" by the Alaskan courts. They would rather leave the decision to the voters who can be influenced by their homophobic rhetoric. Ironically this ballot amendment will most likely also be declared unconstitutional and thrown out by the courts. Marriage is a civil right that cannot be determined by popular vote. It is a fundamental right to family and fulfillment that must be available to all members of our society equally. How would you feel if your marriage was on next falls ballot?

Please let the courts complete their work on this issue and do not allow constitutional amendments without reason. I urge you to allow this resolution to remain in committee.

Lawrence A. Woodall

5-04-98

Lawrence A. Woodall



**NASW Alaska Policy Statement
SJR 42**

The National Association of Social Workers (NASW) strongly opposes SJR 42. This proposal to amend the Alaska Constitution is a radical effort to restrict the privacy and freedom on one group of Alaskans. NASW asserts that discrimination and prejudice against any group is damaging to the social, emotional, and economic well-being of the affected group and of society as a whole. It is the position of NASW that same-gender sexual orientation should be afforded the same respect and rights as opposite-gender orientation. NASW recognizes that homosexuality and homosexual cultures have existed throughout history. Homosexual people have been subject to long-standing social condemnation and discrimination. Toward the elimination of this prejudice, NASW recommends legal and political action to:

- work toward implementation of domestic partnership legislation at local, state, and national levels that includes lesbian and gay people.
- encourage adoption of laws that recognize inheritance, insurance, child custody, property, and other rights in lesbian and gay relationships.
- see election of self-identified lesbian, gay and bisexual candidates in all political jurisdictions.

as well as antidiscrimination efforts which:

- seek repeal of, and actively campaign against, any laws allowing discriminatory practices against lesbian, gay and bisexual people.
- encourage broadening of affirmative action statements in state government, social agencies, universities, professional associations, and funding organizations to include sexual orientation.
- work toward implementation of antidiscrimination personnel policies that cover lesbian, gay and bisexual people within the state of Alaska.
- increase public awareness of the discrimination experienced by lesbian, gay and bisexual people and of the contributions to society made by lesbian, gay and bisexual people.

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF ALASKA
Resolution Number 98-1

**A RESOLUTION OPPOSING SJR-42, WHICH PROPOSES AN AMENDMENT TO THE
CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF ALASKA, ARTICLE I, DECLARATION OF RIGHTS,
RELATING TO MARRIAGE.**

Whereas, the League of Women Voters of Alaska considers the Constitution of the State of Alaska a model document that has upheld Alaskan citizens' individual liberties and fundamental rights exceedingly well;

Whereas, constitutions in a democracy exist, in part, to protect the minority from the tyranny of the majority;

Whereas, Article I, Section 3, Civil Rights, of the Alaska Constitution states: "No person is to be denied the enjoyment of any civil or political right because of race, color, creed, sex, or national origin. The legislature shall implement this section.";

Whereas, the position of the League of Women Voters of the United States on Citizen Rights: Individual Liberties is: "The LWVUS believes in the individual liberties guaranteed by the Constitution of the United States. The League is convinced that individual rights now protected by the Constitution should not be weakened or abridged.";

Whereas, the League's national commitment to diversity embraces all citizens regardless of "gender, age, race, ethnicity, disability and sexual orientation," and the League opposes abridging anyone's right to privacy based on membership in any of these groups; and

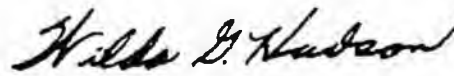
Whereas, a recent Alaskan law that restricted marriage to "one man and one woman" has been found unconstitutional by a Superior Court ruling under Alaska's right to privacy law;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the League of Women Voters of Alaska opposes any legislative or other attempts to send to the voters amendments to the Constitution of the State of Alaska that would restrict, delete, or make exceptions to rights and liberties in place in the current Alaska Constitution dated January 1, 1998.

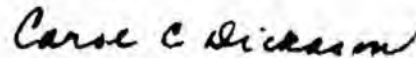
FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED, that the League of Women Voters of Alaska supports equality of opportunity for all citizens. League rejects amendments in the Alaska Constitution that would make some groups of Alaskan citizens less equal than others and/or that would deny whole groups of citizens the same rights and responsibilities enjoyed by other citizens.

FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED, that the League of Women Voters of Alaska opposes legislative attempts to pass SJR-42, a bill to amend the Alaska Constitution rather than uphold the Superior Court finding. The League opposes SJR-42 and any law or ballot measure intended to undercut or overturn court decisions which maintain the basic privacy rights of Alaskan citizens.

PASSED on April 19, 1998, by the delegates of the League of Women Voters of Alaska State Convention held in Kenai, Alaska.


Wilda G. Hudson, President
League of Women Voters of Alaska

ATTEST:


Carol C. Dickason, Secretary pro tem
League of Women Voters of Alaska



ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

PLEASE ENTER INTO THE RECORD MY TESTIMONY TO THE FINANCE
COMMITTEE NAME

COMMITTEE ON STROY2 DATED 5/4/98
BILL/SUBJECT

PLEASE OPPOSE STROY2.

IF JUDGE MICHALSKI HAD FOUND AGAINST THE MARRIAGE PETITION OF MR BRADSE AND MR DUGAN, I WOULD NOT BE HERE TODAY, NOR WOULD YOU.

I AM HERE, BECAUSE AS A MEMBER OF A MINORITY GROUP, I CANNOT FORGIVE THIS ISSUE AT THE BALLOT BOX.

THE COURTS ARE DOING THEIR JOB, AS OUR FOUNDERS INTENDED, TO BALANCE THE WILL OF THE MAJORITY IN A SOCIETY WITH MANY TRADITIONS.

PLEASE RESPECT THAT INTENT, OPPOSE THIS MEASURE AND LET THE COURTS PROCEED WITH THE CIVIL DISCUSSION. THE LEGISLATURE CAN ALWAYS ACT IN THE FUTURE.

SIGNED Nanet Sue Roberts
TESTIFIER

REPRESENTING (OPTIONAL) 479-0001
720 Chena Ridge Rd, Fairbanks, AK 99709
ADDRESS/PHONE NUMBER



ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

PLEASE ENTER INTO THE RECORD MY TESTIMONY TO THE House Finance Comm
COMMITTEE NAME

COMMITTEE ON SJR 42 DATED 5/4/98
BILL/SUBJECT

Dear Representatives on the House Finance Committee,

I hope you all read the letter from our PFLAG National president, Nancy McDonald. As president of Parents, Family and Friends of Lesbians and Gays - Fairbanks, I agree with all three of her points. I am particularly concerned with point one about the increase in the rise of hate crimes against lesbians, gays, their family members and those who are perceived to be gay, when these measures come up for a vote. When I have stood up for my daughter who is gay, and a wonderful person, as president of PFLAG, I have received death threats and hateful messages!
(over)

SIGNED Nancy Kailburg
TESTIFIER

REPRESENTING (OPTIONAL)
PO Box 84680, Fairbanks, AK 99708-4680
ADDRESS/PHONE NUMBER

League of Women Voters of Alaska
1542 East 27th Avenue, Anchorage, AK 99508 - Phone/Fax: 272-0366

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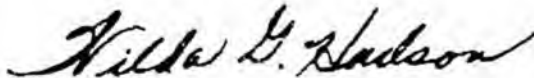
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Alaska State Legislature
State Capitol (MS 3100)
Juneau, AK 99801-1182
Fax (907) 465-4956

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Sincerely yours,



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League of Women Voters of Alaska

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This is just when we advertise our monthly meetings or have educational activities for our city. I hate to think what might happen if this passes the Finance committee and the entire house. and is put on the November ballot.

Please vote NO on SJR 42.

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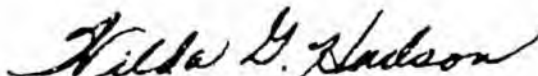
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ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

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 COMMITTEE NAME
 COMMITTEE ON SJR 42 DATED 5/4/98
 BILL/SUBJECT

I am opposed to SJR 42. Please consider the public debate which will be catalyzed by this ammendment. When minority rights are put to a popular vote on this controversial issue, citizens will be pitted against each other.

As I have been involved in the process to lobby the legislature on this issue, I would like to share with you my personal definition of success. Throughout the various committee hearings I have attempted to remain open hearted to all testifiers and listen to their words with respect. This is no small challenge when individuals characterize me as an animal, a pedophile or one who engages in bestiality. In fact, I am none of the above.

I hope that you will listen to all the testimony in a similar manner. I urge you to vote against SJR 42

SIGNED Mark Schubaer
 TESTIFIER

MARK SCHUBAUER
 REPRESENTING (OPTIONAL)

PO Box 87 Ester AK 389 2582
 ADDRESS/PHONE NUMBER



ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

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COMMITTEE NAME

COMMITTEE ON SJR 042 DATED 5/4/98
BILL/SUBJECT

As the President of the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Fairbanks, I represent our fellowships in voicing our support of the US Constitutional right to Freedom of Religion. Our religion takes an affirmative position in support of marriage between any two committed persons regardless of gender. Please ~~no~~ defeat ~~on~~ SJR 042 before it gets placed on the ballot

SIGNED Christine McGavin Christine McGavin, MSSW
TESTIFIER
President, Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Fairbanks
REPRESENTING (OPTIONAL)
Po Box 82962 Fairbanks, AK 99708
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ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

PLEASE ENTER INTO THE RECORD MY TESTIMONY TO THE FINANCE
COMMITTEE NAME

COMMITTEE ON SJRO42 DATED 5/4/98
BILL/SUBJECT

PLEASE OPPOSE SJRO42
BALLOT INITIATIVES OF THIS TYPE IN OTHER
STATES HAVE LEAD TO AN INCREASE IN
CRIMES AND PERSONAL DISCRIMINATION
AGAINST GAY AND LESBIAN PERSONS

ALL CRIME COSTS THE STATE AND ITS
CITIZENS TIME, MONEY AND RECOURES.

THE GOVERNMENT OF ALASKA IS DISCUSSING
THIS ISSUE IN THE COURTS AND THE LEGISLATURE
WILL BE FREE TO ACT IN THE FUTURE AS
PART OF THIS CIVIL DISCUSSION

THANK YOU CHAIRMAN THERRIault FOR YOUR ATTENTION,
WITH BEST REGARDS FOR THE REMAINDER
OF THE SESSION

SIGNED Richard Collins RICHARD COLLINS
TESTIFIER

REPRESENTING (OPTIONAL)

PO Box 83683 FAIRBANKS AK 99708
ADDRESS/PHONE NUMBER



ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

PLEASE ENTER INTO THE RECORD MY TESTIMONY TO THE House Finance
COMMITTEE NAME

COMMITTEE ON SJR 42 DATED May 4, 1998
BILL/SUBJECT

I oppose SJR 42 because of the testimonies I have heard by those who support this bill. They were calling gays and lesbians child molesters involved ~~in~~ in incest + bestiality. These statements which I have heard over & over again are not based on fact but ^{based} on misinformation and fear. There are many outstanding citizens in this great state of ours who happen to be gay or lesbian. They are school teachers, counselors, social workers, police officers etc. I am a highly respected ~~city~~ youth counselor working with severely emotionally disturbed youth. I have read many case files on children who have been molested, & I have never come across a case file that said they were molested by a homosexual. Everyone that I have read said they were molested by a heterosexual male.

If you support this bill you will be sending a message to all Alaskans that gay & lesbians are bad immoral people, there are no facts that support this. ~~We are not immoral we go to work~~

What about the gay and lesbian teenagers? Gay youth comprise up to 30% of completed youth suicides. 28% of gay & lesbian youth drop out of school because of harassment at school. Gay & lesbian youth make up for 25% of youth living on the streets. By supporting this bill you will only increase these statistics because you will reinforce the myths, misinformation, & fear.

SIGNED _____

TESTIFIER

REPRESENTING (OPTIONAL)

ADDRESS/PHONE NUMBER

National association of Social workers

the social workers are also the ones working with child molestation cases.

If lesbians & gays are doing the molestation why would they oppose SJR 42 It is because the social workers know the facts



ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

PLEASE ENTER INTO THE RECORD MY TESTIMONY TO THE ^{Finance} House Committee
COMMITTEE NAME

COMMITTEE ON SJR 42 DATED 5/3/98
BILL/SUBJECT

I am opposed to SJ-42 because it discriminates against a significant proportion of our population. As a minister of the gospel of Jesus Christ, I believe that we should extend to all the opportunity to marry and live together in a committed relationship. In Matt. 19 Christ talks about eunuchs (homosexuals) stating many are born that way, if God created them that way, just as He created heterosexuals, who are we to condemn? Instead of forcing them into untenable situations let's welcome them and treat all with respect and honor their desires of all to live useful productive lives.

I do not feel that heterosexual marriages would be affected adversely by this action. I don't feel we can blame them for our failures. Maybe they can set us a better example!

VOTE NO on SJH 42

SIGNED Willa Frey
TESTIFIER

Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
REPRESENTING (OPTIONAL)

PO Box 91714 Fbks, AK 99707 (907) 452-7858
ADDRESS/PHONE NUMBER

Chairman Hanley and Chairman Therriault,

Thank you for allowing us this opportunity to provide this testimony on SJR 42.

My name is Richard Kemnitz and I am speaking on behalf of the Social Action Committee of the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Fairbanks. We are opposed to this measure as it is contradictory to the following Unitarian Universalist Association Principles and Purposes which we covenant to affirm and promote:

The inherent worth and dignity of every person;

Justice, equity, and compassion in human relations;

Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;

A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;

The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large;

The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all;

Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are part;

In accordance with these principles the General Assembly of the Unitarian Universalist Association passed resolutions in 1984 and again in 1996 affirming Ceremonies of Union between members of the same sex.

We urge you to vote no on SJR 42.

Richard Kemnitz
Social Action Committee
Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Fairbanks
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rkemnitz@polarnet.com



ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

PLEASE ENTER INTO THE RECORD MY TESTIMONY TO THE Finance
COMMITTEE NAME

COMMITTEE ON SSR 42 DATED 5/4/98
BILL/SUBJECT

I'm here to urge you to vote against SSR 42.
The issue here is about a minority and it is ~~is~~ obviously
inappropriate to bring it to a public vote and allow the
majority to decide.
This country was born on the ideas of Religious Freedom
Please continue to uphold that.

I am a single heterosexual woman & this
adment will not affect me personally
but as a believer of the importance of
civil rights I must take a stand.

As a Jew I am always aware that my
beliefs do not coincide with the majority
but I trust my government to protect my rights.

Thank you.

SIGNED

TESTIFIER

REPRESENTING (OPTIONAL)

321 Miller Mill Rd. Fairbanks 99709 479-6676
ADDRESS/PHONE NUMBER



ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

PLEASE ENTER INTO THE RECORD MY TESTIMONY TO THE HOUSE FINANCE
COMMITTEE NAME

COMMITTEE ON SJR-42 DATED 5-4-98
BILL/SUBJECT

REP. PETE KELLEY WROTE A GUEST OPINION FOR THE FAIRBANKS DAILY NEWS. HE AGREED THAT THE CHOICE OF A SPOUSE IS A PRIVATE DECISION. HE AGREED THAT MARRIAGE PRIVILEGES, WHAT HE LEFT OUT, IN HIS ACCOUNT OF JUDGE MICHALSKI'S DECISION, IS EQUAL PROTECTION. MY UNDERSTANDING OF EQUAL PROTECTION IS A DESIRE TO TREAT EVERYONE EQUALLY. IF SOME PEOPLE GET THE SPECIAL PRIVILEGES OF MARRIAGE, THEN ALL PEOPLE ARE ALLOWED ACCESS TO THOSE PRIVILEGES.

A $\frac{2}{3}$ MAJORITY OF AMERICANS NOW BELIEVE THAT HOMOSEXUALITY IS NOT AN ABOMINATION, BUT IS SIMPLY THE WAY GOD CREATED SOME PEOPLE. IT IS ^{UN}CONSTITUTIONAL TO DENY EQUAL PROTECTION TO ANY GROUP OF PEOPLE. I BELIEVE SJR-42, EVEN IF RATIFIED BY THE PEOPLE, WILL EVENTUALLY BE DECLARED UNCONSTITUTIONAL, RESULTING IN LEGAL BATTLES FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA.

SIGNED Mai Galus
TESTIFIER

REPRESENTING (OPTIONAL)
PO BOX 212 ESTER 99725
ADDRESS/PHONE NUMBER



ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

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COMMITTEE NAME

COMMITTEE ON SJR 42 DATED 5-4-98
BILL/SUBJECT

I urge you to oppose this resolution. It is unnecessarily divisive and will only result in increased hate speech and similar crimes, in the end, dividing Alaskans. The time for dealing with this resolution is AFTER the courts have set down their final ruling. Should that ruling go against the current majority, this or a similar measure can always be revisited!

Please vote NO on SJR 42!

SIGNED  _____ Patrick E. Maclews
TESTIFIER

REPRESENTING (OPTIONAL)

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LOCATION: FAIRBANKS

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SJR 42	7 MS.	MARI	GALEREAVE	TESTIFY
SJR 42	9 MR.	PATRICK	MARLOW	TESTIFY
SJR 42	10 MR.	RICHARD	COLLINS	TESTIFY
SJR 42	11 MS.	WILLA	FREY	TESTIFY
SJR 42	16 MS.	JANET	ROBERTS	TESTIFY
SJR 42	12 MS.	RICHARD	KEMNITZ	TESTIFY
SJR 42	13 MS.	CHRISTINE	MCGARVIN <i>Pres.</i>	TESTIFY
SJR 42	14 MS.	PATTY	KEARON	TESTIFY
SJR 42	15 MR.	ROWENA	GROSS	TESTIFY
SJR 42	16 MS.	ELAINE	WILLIAMSON	TESTIFY
SJR 42	17 MS.	MARINA	DAY	TESTIFY

*Connie Fairbanks
Mari Jamieson*

*must be Jesus Christ
Unitarian Soc*

LOCATION: MATSU

9 SJR 42	MR	HOWARD	BESS - <i>minister</i>	TESTIFY
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*Parents Friends + families
of lesbians + GAY*

Dan Carter, and



House Finance Committee

SUBJECT OF MEETING:

DATE: 5-4-98

PLACE: CAPS19

NAME	REPRESENTING	BUSINESS/PERSONAL MAILING ADDRESS	ZIP	(H) PHONE	(W) PHONE	DO YOU WANT TO TESTIFY?		WHAT SUBJECT/ WHICH BILL?
Peggy Brown	INDIVIDUAL	619 East St.	99801	463-3254	586-3656	Y	(N)	SJR 42 OPPOSITION
Linda Thompson	Individual	4467 Columbia Blvd Juneau, AK 99801	99801	790-2852		(Y)	N	SJR 42 support
Morissa Sullivan	Individual	P.O. Box 240791 Douglas AK	99821	586-6162		(Y)	N	SJR 42 Oppose, respect 42
Russell Curry	SRF	19296 RANDALL ROAD JUNEAU, AK 99801-8208	99801	789-7822	465-2311	Y	(N)	SJR 42 OPPOSE!
LEANNE GRIFFIN	Individual	1405 Mary Ellen Way Juneau, AK 99801	99801	780-6651	586-8474	(Y)	N	SJR opposition
Darien Wahl	individual	4225 Ptarmigan Juneau, Alaska 99801		789-2173	same	(Y)	N	SJR 42 SUPPORTS
Lin Davis	individual	3099 Nowell Ave Juneau, AK 99801	99801	5864111		(Y)	N	SJR 42 OPPOSE
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STATEMENT READ



House Finance Committee

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PLACE: CAP 519

NAME	REPRESENTING	BUSINESS/PERSONAL MAILING ADDRESS	ZIP	(H) PHONE	(W) PHONE	DO YOU WANT TO TESTIFY?	WHAT SUBJECT/ WHICH BILL?
Guy Bell + Bill Church	Retirement + Benefits	SOB, 6th Floor		789-3361	465-2292	(Y) N	HB323 Answer ? 5
Maurcen Longworth	Self	3099 Howell Ave Juneau		586-4111		(Y) N	SJR 42 - NO
DAVID ROGERS	SELF	P.O. Box 33932		586-1107		(Y) N	SJA-42
Caren Robinson	AK wo	P.O. Box 33702		586-1107		(Y) N	SJR-42
Carol Andysen	Self	P.O. Box 22493		6-2410		(Y) N	SJR 42
Wilson Valeritine		4311 Conifer Lane Juneau	99801	789-3255	789-5152	(Y) N	SJR 42
Willie Anderson	Self	8443 Kira Kerly Juneau	99801	789-4188		(Y) N	SRS 42
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Sara Bremer	Committee for Equality	Box 34202 Juneau	99803			<input checked="" type="radio"/>	N	SJR-42
Catherine Reardon	Cominara	PO Box 108 Juneau AK	99801		465-2538	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	N	answer questions SB 235
Guy Bell	Retirement & Benefits					<input checked="" type="radio"/>	N	HB323 - Answers ?
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						Y	N	
						Y	N	
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TESTIMONY
READ BY
J. NELSON

NAME	REPRESENTING	BUSINESS/PERSONAL MAILING ADDRESS	ZIP	(H) PHONE	(W) PHONE	DO YOU WANT TO TESTIFY?	WHAT SUBJECT/ WHICH BILL?
Mildred Boesser	myself	17585 Lena Loop	99801	789-1445		(Y) N	SJR42
Mark Boesser	myself	17585 Lena Loop	99801	789-1445		(Y) N	SJR42
ANGELA MUNOZ	JUNEAU HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION	PO BOX 222713 1055 1st St.	99802 99801		465-3241	(Y) N	SJR-42
Lawrence A Woodall	myself	PO Box 20586 Juneau, AK	99802	463-3434		(Y) N	SJR-42 must leave at 8:30 for work
Karen Champagne	Alaska Dept of Health	310 Irwin St. N	99801	385-2104		(Y) N	SJR 42
Marsha Buck	PFLAG Juneau	5445 Kimberly St. Juneau	99801	789-6167		(Y) N	SJR 42
Jason Nelson	Myself	909 1st Street Douglas, AK 99824	99824	364-2865		(Y) N	SJR 42
Bern Kettula	SELF	10601 Horizon Dr.	99801	463-5440		(Y) N	SJR 42
Ann Northrip	self	2810 Fritz Cove Rd.	99801	789-3554		(Y) N	SJR 42
Kirsten Bannergren	self	Box 20813 Juneau	99802	364-2842		(Y) N	SJR 42
Tom GARDY	Self Christian Coalition of AK	PO Box 34832 Juneau	99803	789-3453		(Y) N	SJR42



House Finance Committee

DATE: 5-4-98

PLACE: CAP 519

SUBJECT OF MEETING:

NAME	REPRESENTING	BUSINESS/PERSONAL MAILING ADDRESS	ZIP	(H) PHONE	(W) PHONE	DO YOU WANT TO TESTIFY?	WHAT SUBJECT/ WHICH BILL?
Charles Northrip	self	2810 Fritz Cove Rd	99801	784-3554	463-3662	(Y) N	SJR 42
Pamela Northrip	"	" " " "	"	"		(Y) N	
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Lauren Champagne Carol Hedlin	NASW self	310 Irwin St PO Box 24284 Anchorage	99801 99804	586 4404 790-2585	466-4446	(Y) N	opposed SJR 42
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PHILLIP GRAY	MYSELF	4410 N DOUGLAS HWY JUNEAU, AK	99801	586-6913	SAME	(Y) N	SJR 42 I AM IN FAVOR OF THIS BILL
Kim POOLE	SELF	PO Box 2284 B JUNEAU	99802	364-2110		(Y) N	SJR 42.
Mary Graham	self	235 5th St #2 JUNEAU	99801	586 4938		(Y) N	SJR 42
Darla Madden	self	9626 Stikine St	99801	790-2941	5-1629	(Y) N	SJR-42
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SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

DATE: 3/10/98

FURTHER: 4/2/98

DATE TURNED IN TO OFFICE: 4/6/98

Finance Committee considered

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 42

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Alaska relating to marriage.

and recommends:

- be replaced with _____ CS SJR 42 (FIN)
- adopt previous _____ CS _____ (_____)
- attached amendment(s)
- adopt Letter of Intent by _____ Committee
- further referral to the _____ Committee

- Senate Bill:**
- same title
 - new title
- House Bill:**
- same title
 - technical title
 - new: SCR# _____

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NEW FISCAL NOTE(S):

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Gov/Elections	3/6/98		3.0

APPROPRIATION -- no fiscal note

*include fiscal notes accompanying Governor's bill

FISCAL NOTE

No. 1 4/2/98
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STATE OF ALASKA
 1998 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Revision Date (Note if correction) _____ Dept. Affected Office of the Governor
 Title Const. Amend: Relating to marriage BRU Elective Operations
 Component General and Primary
 Sponsor Senate HESS Committee
 Requester: Senate Judiciary Committee Component Serial No. #22

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 99	FY 00	FY 01	FY 02	FY 03	FY 04
Personal Services						
Travel						
Contractual	3.0					
Supplies						
Equipment						
Land & Structures						
Grants & Claims						
Miscellaneous						
TOTAL OPERATING	3.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

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FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

FUND SOURCE	FY 99	FY 00	FY 01	FY 02	FY 03	FY 04
1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF	3.0					
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
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Other (Specify Type)						
TOTAL	3.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimate of any current year (FY98) cost: _____

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Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

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Prepared by Gail Fenwick *Gail Fenwick*
 Division Division of Elections
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Senate Committee on Health, Education and Social Services Sponsor Statement – Senate Joint Resolution 42

Senate Joint Resolution 42 proposes an amendment to the state constitution that defines marriage as a union between one man and one woman. When approved by voters, SJR 42 will protect the definition of marriage in current statute. That statute was declared to be potentially unconstitutional by Superior Court Judge Peter Michalski in a Feb. 27 ruling in the case of *Brause and Dugan vs. State of Alaska*. In a decision rich with ironies, Judge Michalski concluded that the state's "failure... to provide public recognition" of a person's homosexual relationship is contrary to the state constitution's right to *privacy* [emphasis added]. Michalski's ruling applies the "strict scrutiny test" to the state's law, meaning that the state cannot deny marriage licenses to same-sex couples unless it can prove a "compelling governmental interest." The compelling interest test is an exceedingly difficult legal burden.

The court's ruling ignores the clear public policy statement made by the Legislature in 1996 when it passed Senate Bill 308 by overwhelming margins. Introduced by the Senate HESS Committee, SB 308 reaffirmed the "one man, one woman" definition of marriage that has been operative in Alaska since statehood and also under the territorial government. The laws of all 50 states currently limit marriage to individuals of opposite sex. If the court orders the state to recognize homosexual marriages, thousands of same-sex couples can be expected to travel to Alaska and obtain marriage licenses. Many of these couples will then return to their home states and seek to have their unions recognized under the "full faith and credit clause" of the U.S. Constitution, which generally provides that rights acquired under the public acts or judicial proceedings of one state must be held valid in other states. This will precipitate multiple constitutional crises across the country as dozens of state governments are forced to confront the issue.

If a court orders recognition of homosexual marriages, it will place Alaska in conflict with federal law in incredibly diverse ways. In 1996 the U.S. Congress approved and President Clinton signed into law H.R. 3396, now Public Law 104-199. Known as the "Defense of Marriage Act," this law specifies that marriage under federal law means a union *only* of one man and one woman. According to the U.S. House Judiciary Committee, the word "marriage" appears in more than 800 sections of federal statutes and regulations, and the word "spouse" appears 3,100 times. In the administration and enforcement of these laws, the federal government defines marriage as a union of "one man and one woman" – regardless of what Alaska law states. The I.R.S. will probably not recognize joint tax returns filed by homosexual "married" couples, nor will these couples be eligible for the leave benefits provided by the Family & Medical Leave Act of 1993. Hundreds of other programs and benefits are also implicated, and an explosion of litigation can be expected to result.

Because recognition of same-sex marriages raises the most profound cultural and legal issues, it is only appropriate that the issue be decided by voters, as SJR 42 will allow. It is not appropriate for one unelected and unaccountable judge to set social policy for the entire state of Alaska.

Prepared by Mike Pauley, Staff Aide to Senator Loren Lemso, Vice-Chair Senate HESS Committee (465-3841)
Last Update: March 9, 1998

The Senate Finance
Committee Secretary
has a thick file of
additional information
on SJR 42 and will
make copies for
committee members,
upon request.

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April 4, 1998

Evan L. Clay, Voter ID #06984230
Marcia H. Clay, Voter ID #06984076
Camille Clay, Voter ID #08022113
7039 Henderson Loop
Anchorage, Alaska 99507

The Honorable Senator Bert Sharp
Alaska State Senate
Alaska State Capital
Juneau, Alaska 99801

Dear Senator:

We, the undersigned, as residents and voters of the great state of Alaska, would like to take this opportunity to express our feelings and views about SJR 42. We are vitally concerned that one non-elected judge, Judge Michalski, has taken it upon himself to redefine the institution of marriage, ignoring the definition of more than six thousand years, the consensus of every nation of the world, and the recent formal definition by the United States Government!

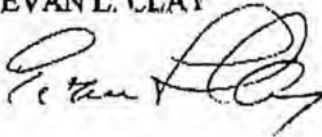
Marriage and the resultant family are the foundation of our civilization and our nation. It is wrong for Judge Michalski to redefine and undermine this foundation singlehandedly without the voters of Alaska having a "say" in that decision. It is the voters who will have to reap the whirlwind of his folly. Passage of SJR 42 will allow the voters to go to the polls and cast their votes as to what constitutes a "legal" marriage.

If the argument for recognizing and permitting homosexual "marriage" were accepted, the same argument can easily be extended to invalidate other prohibited "marriages." If men can "marry" men and women can "marry" women, why can't men "marry" their daughters or women "marry" their sons. Polygamy and polyandry could not be proscribed. Would age limitations barring marriage, for example, between a 35 year old teacher and a 6th grade student be voided?

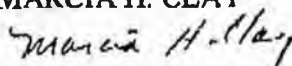
The extension of legal marriage to include the relationship between persons of the same sex would open the door to the wholesale undermining of this nation's and this civilization's foundation and would precipitate a fall more rapid than that of the Roman Empire. We strongly urge you to vote "YES" for SJR 42.

Respectfully,

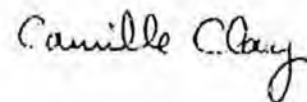
EVAN L. CLAY



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CAMILLE CLAY



Senator Al Adams

Recent developments in the SJR 42 have just reached me. This matter greatly concerns me and should concern every upstanding citizen of the United States of America. There is no state in our great country and no country in the world which allows same sex marriage, and there is very good reason for it. Marriage and family form the very framework of society and civilization. In a day when we complain about the moral decline of our society, and the increasing divergence from traditional family values, how could we condone such a measure. Marriage is an institution that can not be separated from the natural complementarity of men and women. We can no more redefine marriage than we can redefine gender. Could we pass a law that there are no longer two genders? such a law would be nonsense, because it conflicts with natural law which precedes Alaska law.

If Alaska is forced to recognize homosexual marriage, thousands of same sex couples will flock to Alaska to obtain marriage licenses. These couples will then return home and try to have their unions recognized in their home states. This will cause legal conflict around the country. Not only that but the arguments in favor of homosexual marriage can also be used to invalidate other restrictions on marriage, for example: If men can marry men and women can marry women, then why can't men marry their daughters, or men marry more than one woman or a woman marry more than one man.

For one moment reflect on the preamble to the Constitution, and the Pledge of Allegiance. This country is great, we are one nation under god.

The Federal government defines marriage as the union of one man and one woman. If Judge Michalski's ruling is allowed to stand Alaska will be in conflict with federal, natural and international law. It is wrong and absolutely absurd to allow one radical unelected judge to redefine marriage and further degrade our countries stance on values.

Passage of SJR 42 will allow the voters to decide the issue, as it should be. It will give the people of this state a chance to say Judge Peter Michalski your overruled.

Thomas Doyle-
1415 Hampstead
Fairbanks Alaska 99701
907-455-7408

Sen Bert Sharp
907-465-2070

4-4-98

Dear Senator

Re: Proposed Constitutional Amend.
SJR 42
to protect Traditional Marriages

Sir: Our family of 14 voters
ask that you support this action
to stop same sex marriage.
Alaska needs to send the right
message
we need to protect our Family unit
& that can only happen between
a man & a woman - Father & Mother.
We have enough nuts here ~~to~~ now - don't
invite more
Or should we now head for Father and
Daughter allow to marry? NOT!

State Conv.
Delegate

Douglas W. Brown
Alaskan since 1947
Susan W. Brown
Alaskan since 1936

April 4, 1998

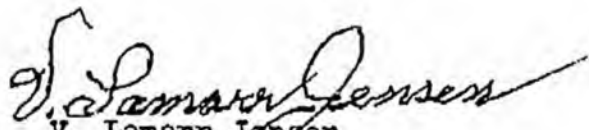
Dear Senator:

Our family values will be further undermined very much if the marrying of homosexuals is allowed. Let's continue to teach honor, respect and the traditional family values.

We have a hard enough time without further undermining them by legalizing homosexual marriage.

I SUPPORT SJR 42.

Sincerely,


V. Lamarr Jensen
4612 Pavalof St.,
Anchorage, Alaska 99507

April 4, 1998

Dear Senator:

Many of the problems facing our country are because of the deterioration of the family. Values of our society have sunk to a new low, and criminals use their wretched upbringing as an excuse for their crimes.

Families who teach respect, honor and the traditional family values have a hard enough time without further undermining them by legalizing homosexual marriage.

I FULLY SUPPORT SJR 42.

Sincerely,



Virginia M. Jensen
4612 Pavalof St.,
Anchorage, Alaska 99507

Fax Cover Page

FAX COVER SHEET

Sunday, April 05, 1998 11:12:40 AM

To: Bert Sharp
Fax #: 1-907-465-2070

Fax: 1 page and a cover page.

5 April 1998

Dear Senator:

We have been married 25 years this coming April 25th. We think marriage between a man and women is the most wonderful institution. However, we feel strongly that homosexual marriages would be a perversion of what marriage is all about. Make sure that you preserve the sanctity and beauty of marriage and pass a law that will prevent the perversion of marriage as it has been in American tradition

Sincerely,

Steve and Nina Wolfe
5007 Clover Lane
Homer, Alaska 99603
wolfefam@xyz.net

Dear Senator, Bert Sharp

8-4-98

Please support bill SJR-42 sponsored
by Senator Loren Leman. This bill
defines marriage into Alaska State law.
Please, for the sake of decency,
family, and our society's traditional
values, support this bill. I urge you
to vote for ~~the~~ passage of this
bill when it comes to a vote
in the senate.

Sincerely,

Bryan J. Scoresby

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Senator Bert Sharp
R-Fairbanks
465-2070

Dear Senator Sharp

I am writing to you today to express my support for TRADITIONAL, HETEROSEXUAL marriages in the state of Alaska. I am asking you to do everything humanly possible to uphold these marriages as the ONLY recognized and legal marriage in our state. Marriage and the family are the very foundation of our civilization. To allow "same sex marriages" in the State of Alaska would send a powerful message to the world that we, as a state, have little regard for this great institution of marriage that God has established for us.

No matter how you look at it, no Christian can deny that marriage started with Adam and Eve. God himself performed that first marriage and identified how it should continue; between a man and a woman. Please see that this institution is preserved as it was established in the beginning.

Sincerely,

Craig L. Saunders
PO Box 982
Palmer, Alaska 99645
(907) 745-8558

April 5, 1998

1301 Ivy Circle
Wasilla, AK 99654
(907) 373-1143

Senator Bert Sharp
State Capitol
Juneau, AK 99801

Dear Senator Sharp:

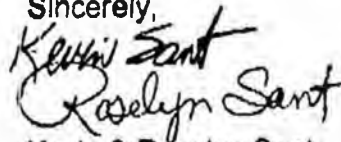
We are writing in support of SJR 42, the proposed constitutional amendment to define marriage in Alaska as a union between only a man and a woman.

As this resolution comes to the Senate floor, we urge you to vote in favor. This bill supports the fundamental unit of communities, cities, and nations. Nowhere in the United States is marriage between two people of the same sex legal. As a matter of fact, no other country in the world allows same-sex marriage.

We believe that marriage, by definition, is a sacred covenant between a man and a woman. This union is superior in all aspects for the perpetuation of families and for teaching and nurturing children by precept and example. Beyond the traditional and religious aspects, research has shown that both a father and a mother are vital in teaching children proper gender identity, self-esteem, and how to relate appropriately with others. Marriage by those of the same sex would fail to provide these statistically documented necessary building stones of our nation.

This is not a homophobic view or an attempt to attack the civil rights of those with a different life-style. It is a stand for the traditional values our country was built on and we believe in. Please give the people of Alaska a chance to vote on this vitally important issue.

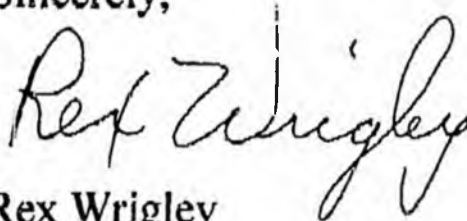
Sincerely,


Kevin & Roselyn Sant

Senator Sharp,

I am in support of bill SJR 42. We do not need same sex marriages legalized in Alaska.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rex Wrigley". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Rex Wrigley

To: Senator Bert Sharp Fax: 465-2070

**From: Chester F. Sniegowski, Jr.
 and Wendy A. Sniegowski
 1011 25TH Avenue
 Fairbanks, Alaska, 99701
 (907) 456-2437**

Subject: Senate Bill SJR 42

Dear Senator:

My wife and I are of the opinion that marriage is between a man and a woman. Senate Bill SJR 42 will give us and other Alaskans the opportunity to overrule Judge Peter Michalski's recent court decision to the contrary.

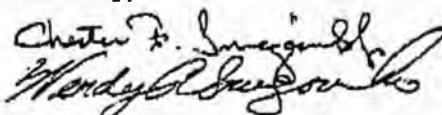
In considering your upcoming vote, on Senate Bill SJR 42, the following should be noted:

- (1) No State in the country allows same sex marriages**
- (2) No country in the world allows same sex marriages**
- (3) The Federal Government of the United States of America defines marriages as a union of only "one man and one woman."**
- (4) Marriage is an institution that cannot be separated from the natural complementary of men and women.**
- (5) It is ABSOLUTELY wrong for one judge to redefine this marriage institution without the people of Alaska being involved in the decision.**
- (6) Same sex marriages are just plain IMMORAL and WRONG period.**

Please vote in favor of Senate Bill SJR 42, so that the voters of Alaska will get a chance to voice and vote their opinion.

Thank You for your consideration in this important matter.

Sincerely,



Chester and Wendy Sniegowski

April 5, 1998

To: Alaska Senators Al Adams, Dave Donley, Jim Duncan, Johnny Ellis, Lyda Green, Rick Halford, Lyman Hoffman, Tim Kelly, Loren Leman, Georgianna Lincoln, Jerry Mackie, Mike Miller, Sean Parnell, Drue Pearce, Randy Phillips, Bert Sharp, Robin Taylor, John Torgerson, Jerry Ward and Gary Wilken

We strongly support and urge the passage of SJR 42 dealing with same-sex marriages.

We adamantly oppose same-sex marriages. No other state in the country allows same-sex marriages. No country in the world permits nor recognizes same-sex marriages. The federal government of the United States defines marriage as being a union of only "one man and one woman."

Marriage is an institution that cannot be separated from a natural man and woman. We can no more redefine marriage than we can redefine gender.

Marriage and the family are the foundations of our civilization. It is absolutely wrong for one unelected judge to redefine this institution without the people of Alaska being involved in this decision.

If Alaska is forced to recognize homosexual marriages, thousands of same-sex couples from around the country will travel to Alaska to obtain marriage licenses. Many will return to their home states and try to have their marriages recognized there, causing legal conflicts across the country, all because of one radical decision by an Alaskan judge. We feel many, however, will choose to remain in Alaska, creating social and economic problems throughout the State.

The arguments in favor of homosexual marriage can also be used to invalidate other marriage restrictions if men can marry men and women can marry women. Should fathers be allowed to marry their daughters or step-daughters and mothers be allowed to marry their sons? Why can't men and women marry more than one spouse? What might judges approve next if Judge Peter Michalski's decision is allowed to stand?

Again, we strongly urge passage of SJR 42, banning same-sex marriages and only recognizing a marriage between one man and one woman.

Thank you for your support of SJR 42. If this resolution is not passed, the moral and social fabric of every village and city in the State of Alaska will be adversely affected.



Thomas L. Schwantes
P. O. Box 1911
Kodiak, Alaska



Lila R. Schwantes
Phone: (907) 487-2754
FAX: (907) 487-4081

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f a c s i m i l e

To: **Senator Bert Sharp**
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Business Phone:

From: **Jesse Clutts**
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Business Phone: 907 235-8531
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Date/Time: 4/6/98 12:55:44 AM
Subject: SJR 42

Dear Senator,

I would like to add my voice to those that have spoken in favor of the bill that would clearly define marriage as being between a man and a woman. It is a sad time for the nation when such steps become necessary. Please do not bend to the pressures of those who believe we should be open minded and accept these so called "alternative lifestyles." If you are considering such action I would only ask you where would you draw the line in your attempt to define what is right and what is wrong. Shall we also recognize and allow polygamy, sodomy, bestiality, and incest. Please do not open the flood gates that would surely make the act of marriage in Alaska a laughing matter.

The following is a proclamation from the leaders of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, in which I am proud to be a member. I include it for your benefit in this matter and for your daily lives.

The Family: A Proclamation to the World

The First Presidency and Council of the Twelve Apostles of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter day Saints

We, the First Presidency and the Council of the Twelve Apostles of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, solemnly proclaim that marriage between a man and a woman is ordained of God and that the family is central to the Creator's plan for the eternal destiny of His children.

All human beings--male and female--are created in the image of God. Each is a beloved spirit son or daughter of heavenly parents, and, as such, each has a divine nature and destiny. Gender is an essential characteristic of individual premortal, mortal, and eternal identity and purpose.

In the premortal realm, spirit sons and daughters knew and worshiped God as their Eternal Father and accepted His plan by which His children could obtain a physical body and gain earthly experience to progress toward perfection and ultimately realize his or her divine destiny as an heir of eternal life. The divine plan of happiness enables family relationships to be perpetuated beyond the grave. Sacred ordinances and covenants available in holy temples make it possible for individuals to turn to the presence of God and for families to be united eternally.

The first commandment that God gave to Adam and Eve pertained to their potential for parenthood as husband and wife. We declare that God's commandment for His children to multiply and replenish the earth remains in force. We further declare that God has commanded that the sacred powers of procreation are to be employed only between man and woman, lawfully wedded as husband and wife.

We declare the means by which mortal life is created to be divinely appointed. We affirm the sanctity of life and of its importance in God's eternal plan.

Husband and wife have a solemn responsibility to love and care for each other and for their children. "Children are an heritage of the Lord" (Psalms 127:3). Parents have a sacred duty to rear their children in love and righteousness, to provide for their physical and spiritual needs, to teach them to love and serve one another, to observe the commandments of God and to be law-abiding citizens wherever they live. Husbands and wives--mothers and fathers--will be held accountable before God for the discharge of these obligations.

The family is ordained of God. Marriage between man and woman is essential to His eternal plan. Children are entitled to birth within the bonds of matrimony, and to be reared by a father and a mother who honor marital vows with complete fidelity. Happiness in family life is most likely to be achieved when founded upon the teachings of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Successful marriages and families are established and maintained on principles of faith, prayer, repentance, forgiveness, respect, love, compassion, work, and wholesome recreational activities. By divine design, fathers are to preside over their families in love and righteousness and are responsible to provide the necessities of life and protection for their families. Mothers are primarily responsible for the nurture of their children. In these sacred responsibilities, fathers and mothers are obligated to help one another as equal partners. Disability, death, or other circumstances may necessitate individual adaptation. Extended families should lend support when needed.

We warn that individuals who violate covenants of chastity, who abuse spouse or offspring, or who fail to fulfill family responsibilities will one day stand accountable before God. Further, we warn that the disintegration of the family will bring sorrow on individuals, communities, and nations the calamities foretold by ancient and modern prophets.

We call upon responsible citizens and officers of government everywhere to promote those measures designed to maintain and strengthen the family as the fundamental unit of society.

This proclamation was read by President Gordon B. Hinckley as part of his message at the General Relief Society Meeting held September 23, 1995, in Salt Lake City, Utah.

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April 3, 1998

Dear Senator:

SJR 42, which would define marriage as legally existing only between one man and one woman, is creating an unusual uproar.

The only reason for the uproar is that homosexual community activists have fabricated this unexceptionable proposed Constitutional Amendment into some kind of infringement of their "rights," though it's transparently obvious that there is no "right" to pretend equivalence between the historically, culturally and morally supported union of a procreative couple and sexual relations between any other arrangement of persons.

The homosexual agenda, of which broadening the definition of marriage is a part, aims at extending the economic rights and privileges appropriate to heterosexual couples to same sex couples whose physical relationships are completely unrelated to procreation (the principal reason for marriage) and are transparently violative of natural law and reason.

The homosexual community's activists have elsewhere (and surely will here as well) pressed for the right to sexually abuse children (NAMBLA - North American Man Boy Love Association) and end incest prohibitions. In their own private communications they discuss their aims for the elimination of all boundaries and laws, even those restricting bestiality, sado-masochism and even crippling people for sexual enjoyment. Their end goal is the elimination of all controls over whatever depravity they wish to commit.

We focus on homosexuality because that is, in fact, the issue. As an anthropologist, I am well aware that regardless of the dishonest fabrications of history used to justify their actions, nowhere and at no time has homosexuality been anything but the plaything of a small band of perverts. Our culture was not created by perverts. All that is best in our culture including the basic ideas of human rights derive from Christianity. No matter how many perverse clergymen can be found to support homosexuality or even practice it, there is no doubt that this practice is condemned by Christianity.

All legitimate research continues to show that regardless of the outrageous claim by homosexuals that they constitute 10% of the population, they are at best 1 1/2% of the population and in most communities fewer. Hence, this is not an issue which affects people in numbers great enough to justify, even pragmatically, an adaptation to their special perversions

Interestingly, homosexuals are aware of and contemptuous of their own perversity since their favorite private term for themselves is "queers" (at least that's the favorite one I can commit to print). But contempt is a habit and they are also contemptuous of those who are not so perverse, referring to us as "breeders" - good only for providing children for them to corrupt.

If these comments sound harsh, they are as nothing compared to what homosexuals say about themselves *in camera* only those who have had close contact with this community can begin to understand how corrupt and perverse it is. This is surely not a subculture to which we should adapt our own civilization.

There are a number of more conventional points of support for SJR42, ie: the complementarity of the sexes, the ubiquity of laws supporting normal marriage, the slippery slope argument, etc. I'm certain you've heard them from many people. But the real issue is homosexual privilege. Most people are afraid of directly confronting homosexuality for what it is since they fear being branded as "judgmental." (Besides, not many people really know how unbelievably gross homosexual practices are.)

Nonetheless, all laws make behavioral judgments and all of us are compelled to do so. It's true, we may not judge someone's soul. We must, however, judge their actions. Homosexual actions are patently perverse (contrary to nature), dangerous (AIDS, etc.) and corrupting (inverting sexual behavior supports a host of perverse ideas)

Some people fear being called a "homophobe," an oxymoron which the ever-gullible press has accepted as a meaningful derogation at the insistence of "Queer Nation" and others. Literally, homophobe would mean "fear of humans," or more narrowly, "fear of man." How weird that such a neologism should have been distorted into a term for hatred and fear of homosexuals.

But wait a minute, isn't it reasonable to be quite careful or even fearful of people who are the chief carriers of AIDS, the most deadly - nearly always fatal disease extant? It is the only major killing disease which could totally be eradicated by people simply changing their behavior. Where is the campaign to convince children not to engage in homosexuality? Where's the equivalent of the attacks on Joe Camel? The answer is obvious. Liberals have bought the line that all things are relative and homosexuals are simply brave sweet folks whose minor difference in taste shouldn't be impugned. Since they dominate the media and terrorize many politicians - the result is obvious.

And so we wind up with well meaning, but befuddled people supporting the idea that "marriage" can be extended to anyone under any conditions. But this would enshrine in a privileged position people who demand we expend tens of billions of dollars to create

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a vaccine which will allow them to pursue their favorite perversion without experiencing the punishments nature provides.

But by what distortion of reality can we assume that we must alter our institutions in favor of perversion and refuse to protect our institutions against their attempt to corrupt them and place even more burdens on us to their benefit?

We clearly need to protect ourselves against the depredations of homosexuals and to refuse to elevate their perverse behavior and desires to the special protection of marriage.

Support SJR42.

Arthur E Hippler

Yours truly,

4/4/98

Dear Senator:

I strongly encourage you to support SJR42. Marriage is an institution that cannot be separated from gender. If we can redefine marriage then we can redefine gender. This tearing down of natural barriers, conceivably, could be the beginning of the elimination of other healthful restrictions that we have accepted, eg. polygamy, and incestuous unions. Marriage and the family are the natural foundation of our civilization. It is incredible to think that one judge in the state of Alaska has redefined this time honored institution without any input from the people. Passage of SJR42 will permit the voters to decide the issue.

Alaska will be the first state in the nation to permit this. (A dubious honor) There is NO other country in the world that recognizes same sex marriages. We are the Last Great Frontier, but I think homosexual marriage is a frontier that is best left unexplored.

I hope you will not be swayed by the cries of the homosexual minority who claim that the inability to be "married" in the legal sense of the word, deprives them of compassion & justice. Acceptance of these claims will lead us, not to mention our posterity, down a dangerous path of social experimentation- a path bound to rip at the very fabric of our nation.

Respectfully yours,
sai Duchanin