



### **Rabbinic Council of Progressive Rabbis**

We, the members of the Moetzah, the Rabbinic Council of Progressive Rabbis of Australia, Asia and New Zealand, support marriage equality under Australian law.

Judaism teaches that all human beings are created *betzelem Elohim* (Genesis 1:27), in the image of God, and are therefore entitled to full dignity and equality. The Jewish people are all too familiar with discrimination and worse, and we reject it however rationalised.

Australian law should guarantee equality; marriage being both a religious and a civil status. There is no reason for Australian law to limit or discriminate against the civil or legal rights of any individual or group.

Therefore, we, the Moetzah, call upon the Australian Government to enact speedily legislation granting full marriage equality.