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Nowadays, the homosexuality is becoming more and more understandable and people have an increasingly tolerant attitude in society, especially in the West. The demand for gay couples and those who fighting for gay legal rights is now becoming a key modern political issue.

Gay couples should be allow to marry because marriage is about more than procreation, they should have equal rights as well as heterosexuals, and it is discriminatory to refuse gay couples the right to marry.

Marriage is not merely a matter of biology and is about more than procreation, therefore gay couples should not be denied the right to marry due to their biology. It is an extremely popular idea that gay couples should not be allowed to marry because they can not procreate^[1], but it is also probably the weakest and least credible argument.

If the only purpose of marriage is to procreate, then how can infertile couples be allow to marry? Does it a double-standard situation? The simple fact is that this argument depends on using a standard that is not applied to straight couples. And there is also a fact that not all of the gay couples are childless. Some gay couples have children because they have adopted. Some have children because the advance of medical science enabled same-sex couples through surrogate mothers and sperm donors^[2,3].Whatever the reason, more and more gay couples are not childless. So it

can no longer be said that homosexual couples should not be granted the right to marriage. So those opponent claims are evidently false.

To grant gay couples the right to marriage would enable them to take advantage of the fiscal of marriage, same-sex couples also have the same legal, property, and financial benefits of being married as heterosexuals. Scott Bidstrup argues that a gay couple live for 40 years can still be compelled by law to testify or provide evidence against one another, while legally married couples are not forced to do^[4]. It is a discriminatory view for such out-dated law that the love of gay couples is artificial and denied them the equal legal benefits as heterosexuals. According to the Justice Anthony Kennedy noted in a Supreme Court ruling, ‘homosexuals are forbidden the safeguards that others enjoy or may seek without constraint^[2,4]’.

Laws do not discriminate against anyone. Thus, gay couples should not be prevented from obtaining the legal benefits of marriage.

To refuse gay couples the right to marry is discriminatory.

Anti-Discrimination Board says that the Australian government’s same-sex marriage bill contains exemptions to discrimination law that would allow religious bodies or organizations to refuse to provide goods or services to a gay wedding, for example, florists and bakers could refuse to serve gay weddings by claiming to be religious organizations^[5]. Australian Marriage Equality and Just Equal(AME) said that “the new exemptions for ‘religious organizations or bodies’ to refuse to provide

services to gay weddings should be removed or at least more clearly defined”.

It is true that in many countries at present not allow gay couples to marry. At is also true that blacks and whites in some Americans could not marry as recently as 1967, but nobody would deny such a law now. So people should not hold an out-dated view of homosexuality and deny the same right to homosexual couples when permitting heterosexual couples to profess their love through marriage. Therefore society should give gay couple the right to marry.

Gay couples should be allow to marry, while opponents insist that marriage is the religious or civil union between a man and a woman and gay couple marriage is unnatural. US formal president Barack Obama once reaffirmed his personal belief that marriage 'is between a man and a woman'. But this action, which homosexual relationships are treated as abnormal and unnatural, will easily lead to the conclusion that gay couples should not be given any sort of legal rights or social status. Additionally, marriage is more like a commitment to love and care for each other till the death, it is describes as an emotional relationship.

Traditional beliefs also regarding marriage as a sacred religious rite. But this belief is simply incorrect. It is true that marriage is an institution declared for life-long-time accompany and religion has traditionally played a role in marriages. But marriage exists because ‘people desire it and the community, working through the government, helps ensure that married couples are able to do what they need to in order to survive’^[6]. According to a recent Australian poll, 75% of Australians believe

legalization of same-sex marriage is inevitable^[8], leading marriage-equality advocates responded by calling on political leaders to act immediately - "The tide of history is running toward equality and nothing can turn it back^[7]." So, at no point is religion needed or necessarily relevant.

As we have seen, gay couples are not universally childless, marriage is something more than procreation, so they should be able to take advantage of the fiscal and legal benefits of marriage. It is essential for the homosexual relationships to be treated as normal and they should have the same social statues as heterosexuals. It is a civil right more than a religious rite for the gay couples to marry. In a world, people should allowed same-sex couples to be married.

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