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To whom it may concern,

Everyone in Australia should be able to have a child no matter their gender, sexuality or fertility. Surrogacy is many people's only viable option and it is a shame that current policy/ legislation places significant barriers in the way for many couples and singles wanting to have children.

I am of the opinion that consenting women in Australia should be able to provide surrogacy services for a fee. People seeking surrogacy support should also be able to do this overseas and without the cumbersome visa and guardianship hoops they currently have to jump through.

During a time when we have declining birthrates, we should be doing everything within our power to support all families (couples or single people) to be able to have children on their own terms.

Thanks, Matilda