

MEDIA RELEASE

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Time for the Herald Sun to stop acting as change agents for alternative lifestyles

Family Voice is disappointed that the popular Melbourne tabloid, The Herald Sun which prides itself on being a `family paper yesterday (21 February) featured an eight page feature given over completely to stories on lesbian sports people. prominent article was `Follow your heart' about a lesbian couple's romance was given a two page spread to tell of their story.

The Herald Sun also included various other articles from female gay sportspeople, but curiously, not one article on a male gay athlete, very sexist indeed.

Brickbats to Harvey Norman who appeared happy to lend their advertising dollars to promote this eight page sports feature.

Family Voice would like to know when was the last time the Herald Sun spent eight pages promoting traditional family life of mother, father and their children?

Family Voice believes there are many in the Victorian community who do not approve of the in your face support of gay and lesbian and who do not want their children exposed to such a blatant endorsement of the gay sub-culture.

The Herald Sun should be ashamed for brazenly promoting a lopsided point of view on sexuality in its pages, surely the Herald Sun has a duty of care to thousands of impressionable young people who read the paper?

Family Voice believes the Herald Sun readers should be given a balanced portrayal of family life and human sexuality.

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