An Act for the Recognition and Protection of Marriage

The House of Lords of the Dominion of British West Florida, affirming that this Dominion is founded upon principles that acknowledge the supremacy of God, the dignity and worth of the all people and the position of the family in a society of free people and free institutions;

Affirming also that people and institutions remain truly free only when the exercise of freedom is founded upon respect for moral and spiritual values and the rule of law;

And being desirous of enshrining these principles in public Acts and Statements;

Whereas the Scriptures, the common law, and practice in the Dominion has always considered marriage to be a holy union of one man and woman; and,

Whereas the government of the Dominion of British West Florida has a vested interest in the protection of Marriage for procreation and the rearing of children; and,

Whereas some have attempted to deprive Marriage of its hollowed place in society;

Now, therefore by the Grace of Queen Elizabeth the second's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and of the Commons of the Dominion of British West Florida, we enact as follows:

The Institution of Marriage, and the rights, duties, and privileges that pertain to marriage are expressly reserved for the union of one man and woman, any act or statement to the contrary, made by any Jurisdiction or person whatsoever not withstanding. The Dominion, and any under its jurisdiction, shall neither grant nor recognize these rights or privileges as pertaining to any other than a lawfully married couple.

Approved by the House of Lords and granted the Royal Assent by the Governor-General the same day, Friday the 25th of August in the year of our Lord, 2006.

