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VOTE YES

CIVIL MARRIAGE EQUALITY.

"I think it's long overdue"

Gay Byrne, speaking in support of civil marriage equality



On May 22nd vote YES for Marriage Equality

Marriage is a secure foundation on which society thrives. On May 22nd, Irish people are being asked to **share the freedom** to marry by voting Yes in the Marriage Equality Referendum.

This is a vote about real people and real families.
It's about people that we know; our family members, friends, neighbours and colleagues.

Irish people are fair minded, welcoming and confident. **Voting Yes will ensure that everyone in our families is protected by the Constitution.**

Voting Yes will take from no one. Allowing lesbian and gay couples to marry will not affect any other marriage or family.

While civil partnership has provided much needed recognition for lesbian and gay couples, it falls short of full constitutional equality. **Having a separate and lesser institution sends a clear message that lesbian and gay people are not equally valued.**

This referendum relates to **civil marriage** in a registry office, not religious marriage. Churches cannot be forced to marry anyone and will not be affected in any way.

A Yes vote strengthens marriage, protects everyone in all our families. **A Yes vote is a vote for family values.**

Yes Equality is a nationwide campaign working to deliver a 'Yes' vote in the upcoming Marriage Equality Referendum. Please visit www.yesequality.ie or call (01) 7030412 for more information, to donate or to volunteer with the campaign.