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I would like to make a comment about Altruistic Surrogacy. It is an issue that could very well introduce many difficult and complex errors if introduced. Namely the difficulties include:

- Legal challenges as to who is the parent;
- Access to singles and same-sex couples;
- Genetic bewilderment for children;
- The potential for up to five different parents;
- Blurred family relationships and disruption to relationship links between marriage, conception, gestation, birth and motherhood, which are important to human identity

I was at a 5yr olds party where a single mother who was in her 5th defacto relationship commented about being approach to surrogate a child for another couple who couldnt have children, she said it would be worth \$10,000 and all she was obviously interested in is the money. I dont feel children should be bought and sold just like the black market. They are human beings and they dont even have the opportunity to comment or help themselves in these circumstances, not until they get older and we see as a society the damage we have done by helping get surrogacy started. I dont think we have thought through the damage it can create until it is too late. these are my comments. thank you, Chyrel.