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**Attn: Shannon Fentiman MP, Regarding Births, Deaths and Marriages Bill**

At the outset of my submission, I am against you altering this in any way.

Your position is to protect the rights of women in Queensland and giving the potential freedom of a biological male to 'decide' he is now a female and alter his birth gender is wrong.

There are many cases worldwide where transmen have harmed women by being allowed into women-only spaces. Such as the trans, Karen White, who was incarcerated in the US prison system, identifying as a 'woman' only to rape, abuse and traumatise the women in that prison system. He is now back in an all-male prison for life.

We have women in Melbourne, Australia, who are begging the authorities to remove an abusive rapist from their prison, but their cries for help fall on deaf ears.

I am an original U-Haul Lesbian. However, I no longer identify with the lgbtq+ agenda as this has been undermined and highjacked by political agendas.

I am a woman, I was born a woman, and I will not be denigrated to a subculture called cisgender women.

Being a woman is a birthright, not a chosen right. We are NOT cis-gendered. We are WOMEN.

You claim that one of the reasons for changing is the 'fact' that so many trans teens self-harm or feel threatened, or that trans individuals are denied employment etc. Let's look at the stats of 2021 for self-harm in young people. The strange thing is that I hear the same about those who are from different cultures, nations, religious beliefs

etc. Where is the help for these people? Why are you attempting to remove the anti-discrimination laws against trans females? They are biological men, and if they do not remove their penises, they are still natural men with an identification problem. If you have a penis, you are male. You are a woman if you have a womb, have periods, grow breasts, and have hormonal issues as you mature. This is how we are made.

### **Taken from aifs.gov.au**

The research I am quoting from originates from a media release published in September 2021 by researchers Pilar Rioseco.

The research is based on adolescents' survey responses to questions about self-injury when they were aged 14-15 and again at age 16-17 as part of Growing Up in Australia: The Longitudinal Study of Australian Children (LSAC). One of the report's authors, Dr Pilar Rioseco, says the findings are concerning, especially in light of emerging signs of worsening mental health in the pandemic.

Pilar states the following figures - please note this is from a cross-section of young people from ages 14 through to 18. It does not identify sex, culture or other identification. It just determines age and percentages.

- **14 - 16 years of age**
  - 4% of adolescents THOUGHT about self-harm
  - 9.7% of adolescents REPORTED ACTS of self-harm
- **16 - 17 years of age**
  - 21.2% of adolescents THOUGHT about self-harm
  - 11.2% of adolescents REPORTED ACTS of self-harm

Pilar also reports that navigating life as a young person can be challenging. Note that there is no separation of sex/culture/religion/race etc., just a 'young person'.

In Suicidal thoughts/acts, Pilar makes the following statements.

The study found that when it came to thoughts and acts of non-suicidal self-injury, there were considerable gender differences. Close to half (42%) of girls reported thinking about self-injuring at 14-15 or 16-17, compared to 18% of boys. Similarly, 26% of girls reported acts of self-injury at either 14-15 or 16-17, compared to 9% of boys.

I won't reproduce the entire report here. Hopefully, you will do your own research on this. But you can see that girls, whom you are supposed to protect under the umbrella of prevention of Domestic & Family Violence, are the most vulnerable.

Now take that information and add the pressure, fear, and trauma of having a male figure entering a public swimming pool, female changing room, school toilet, or wherever they wish, and you have the potential for more trauma in young lives.

Why, Shannon, would you want to subject women to more abuse? Where is the protection of women and girls who have been traumatised by abuse? Why are you committing violence against the women of the state of Queensland?

Shannon, you are the Attorney-General and Minister of Justice, Minister for Women, and the Minister for the PREVENTION of Domestic and Family Violence!

How does this agenda fit into protecting women?

A male identifying as a female does not a female make. We are a biological fact. You cannot deny biology. If someone digs up a trans-female or trans-male body in a thousand years in an archaeological dig, they will not see anything but the biological fact of what the skeleton shows them, a male or female.

Many transgendered people are attempting to re-transition back to their original sex/gender because they realise the lie and falsehood of the Transgender movement. Many self-harm because they did not get the therapy and help BEFORE making the transition. Perhaps you should put the effort and expense of this bill into providing proper and fair, unbiased treatment for those who are in this mindset. Some will proceed, but others may not.

Please do not be swayed by 'woke politics'. If you truly are a person of integrity and honour and the people's representative, why is this not being put before the people of Queensland in a referendum?

Why are you hiding in the shadows and being deceptive about this, asking for submissions when you know very well that the majority of people will be on holiday and won't see this? Oh, that's why...

Stop hiding, and start talking to people who may disagree. They may have points that need to be shared. What are you afraid of by allowing the opposite voice to be heard? Surely you are not afraid of another point of view?

I am a living soul, a living woman, and I am known by the name Louise.