



CWA of California Action Alert

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Pick up the phone! Send those faxes or e-mails!

Final fight to defend marriage just days – or hours – away

Assemblyman Mark Leno's (D-San Francisco) homosexual marriage bill [passed](#) the Senate Appropriations Committee on August 25 and the Senate floor vote could occur at any time. If passed, the bill will be returned to the Assembly for concurrence to Senate amendments. Because the bill has already been defeated in the Assembly twice, we are focusing our efforts there. If you have time, however, please continue to contact your state senator asking him or her to vote "no" or abstain on AB 849.

Our legislators must hear the public's outrage that our will under Prop. 22 is being dismissed by our own government. Below is a list of assembly members who are considered key swing votes. They are categorized by their prior votes, allowing you to thank them for their earlier "no" votes when you call or write, if applicable. As time allows, please ask these legislators to protect marriage between a man and a woman. Even if you do not reside in their district, this vote is crucial to the future of the entire state!

Contact information:

Below is a sample letter to e-mail or fax. Please be polite and thank those who either voted "no" or abstained. Talking points are available on our Web site [here](#).

To find your assembly member: <http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/yourleg.html>.

Gov. Schwarzenegger's phone (916) 445-2841; fax (916) 445-4633; e-mail governor@governor.ca.gov

These assembly members voted "no" on the last Assembly vote. Please thank them.

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Sample Letter

Dear :

I respectfully request that you oppose AB 849, which allows two people of the same sex to marry.

The public does not support same-sex "marriage." Californians passed Prop. 22, which defines marriage as between a man and a woman, by 61.4 percent.

Referring to Prop. 22, an appellate court recently ruled, "Without submitting the matter to the voters, the Legislature cannot change this absolute refusal to recognize marriages between persons of the same sex." AB 849 defies this ruling and the California Constitution.

Further, children thrive best in a home with a mother and father who are married. Children must come first – not adults' sexual desires. Any redefinition of marriage poses a threat to the moral structure of the family with no logical stopping point. Would we next legalize polygamy or incest?

Please vote "no" on AB 849 or abstain from voting!

Respectfully,

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In addition to making your voice heard on this and other critical legislation, please remember to pray regularly for our legislators and visit the legislation section of our [California Web site](#) for the [current status](#) of many important pending bills.

Thank you for making a difference!

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