



To the attention of

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Dear Ms Petraviča,

The Hungarian Human Dignity Center welcomes the efforts to strengthen the constitutional definition of the family, namely legislative proposal Nr. 111.8/5-1-13/21.

Today's Europe urgently needs the clarification of family terms, as families build nations and nations build Europe. The family is the cornerstone of every society: it is the fundamental group unity that deserves the protection of the state – as we see in article 16 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

While respecting individual needs and accepting each and every one of us the way we are, we must never forget that human life comes from a mother and a father: they give the precious gift of life to the next generation and create a safe environment for their children's upbringing. The protection of the mental and physical welfare of children is the common interest of all. We join these efforts by our letter supporting the proposed amendment to the Latvian Constitution to further protect the natural and fundamental group unit of the society, the family.

Without families there is no society and no future for the nations. Family is not the problem, but the solution for today's problems. We urge all members of the Saeime to stand up for the family and protect children through strengthening the legal definition of the family.

Sincerely,

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