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*Our Pathway to
Peace & Prosperity*

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Good Governance

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As evidence of poor governance and the detrimental effects on Bermuda's economy, we can look at the projects that successive governments have engaged in. The majority of these projects have required some form of government intervention (investment or sovereign guarantee), which is contrary to the stated intentions of previous administrations, all of whom have pledged to improve our economy through generating private sector investments. The lack of investment into Bermuda is evidence of a government that has not only lost the trust of voters but more importantly, the trust of capital.

Same Sex Marriage

A key principle upheld by the FDM is honesty. This principle informs the position of the FDM in regards to the issue of SSM. Dishonesty is proving to be costly in economic and social terms. A dishonest approach to the SSM issue is problematic and must cease.

Behind closed doors, the top leadership of the current administration have always supported LGBTQ+ and SSM rights, in line with its progressive roots. On the other hand, strong positions against this issue have always been prominent throughout their membership and supporters. These positions are mostly developed from religious, cultural and social norms. It would be considered political suicide for the current government to publicly support a position in favour of SSM. Instead of being honest with the electorate, millions of taxpayer dollars have been squandered fighting against SSM with the knowledge that the UK Privy Council's position will ultimately be in line with the UK Government's position on the matter. The current administration seeks to escape political responsibility in an attempt to avoid negative repercussions from the Bermuda electorate while striving to achieve their hidden agenda to legalise SSM.

In this post-pandemic environment, economic recovery requires a collaborative effort from all. The LGBTQ+ community, like other members of our community, are upstanding and productive citizens. Bermuda requires an increase in productivity and innovation. It is the position of the FDM that the Golden Rule applies to all, without partiality. As such, an FDM government will withdraw from the Privy Council legal challenge and spare the taxpayers' any additional expense. Those persons for or against SSM must hold the current government accountable for the angst and frustration emanating from their complete dishonesty towards the people of Bermuda.

Brief Summary

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