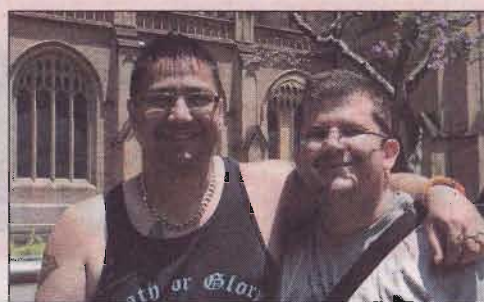




Roy Freeman & Assaf Shitlman



Gus Torlaschi & Anthony Allen



Ben & Amanda



"Auntie Shirley"



Gina Wilson, OII president



Senator Doug Cameron



Nicola Black & Emma Logan



Peter Boyle



Alfonzo



MCC Pastor Karl illegally marrying a couple with Joyce Maynge



Pip Hinman



Phoebe Herring & Sarah St Clair

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# Thousands rally and march for same-sex marriage rights

## Brendan Bolger

Several thousand people rallied outside Sydney Town Hall on Saturday calling for an end to the federal Government's prohibition on same-sex marriage with the speakers including Labor's NSW Senator Doug Cameron.

He was the first high-profile federal parliamentar-

ian to break ranks and publicly call into question the party's line on same-sex marriage, which has resulted in numerous other MPs announcing their support.

Other speakers included Organisation Intersex International president Gina Wilson, Greens Senator-elect Lee Rhiannon and Wear It Purple founder Katherine Hudson.

The rally in Sydney was organised by Community

Action Against Homophobia (CAAH) as part of the national Equal Love campaign and was held in conjunction with a rally in Adelaide.

Rallies in Melbourne, Brisbane, Perth, Wollongong and Canberra were held the week before.

"People have come back time and time again showing their determination to keep fighting until we win equal rights.

"With Doug Cameron on the platform giving us his support, and Penny Wong finally coming out in support of marriage equality on the day of the rally, it's clear that our voices are being heard," CAAH co-convenor Cat Rose said.

The rally moved from Town Hall to Taylor Square where some same-sex partners were illegally married by a Metropolitan Community Church pastor. **VOICE**