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Hello,

It was recommended by Ginger Williamson that I contact the ETF Board with my feedback.

I am reaching out to ask for the consideration of including life insurance options for domestic partnerships outside of legal marriage. I have been with my partner for 10 years and we have two children together. We are not yet, nor plan to, legally wed. This is for several reasons, most importantly our moral and religious beliefs.

I have found it very difficult to obtain life insurance coverage for my partner despite several options provided to me through my employer. I currently have more coverage for my two minor children than I can obtain for my partner. He is an integral contributor to our family both emotionally and financially. It is important that in the event of an unfortunate accident I would be able to continue to care for my children independently and maintain financial stability through what would be an emotionally tumultuous time. I know I am not the only person who is in need of this type of coverage considering the steadily decreasing percentage of couples legally marrying in the United States in recent years.

In addition to considering my request, I would like to ask for the information of anyone who I could contact to increase the visibility of my request within the organization.

Thank you, Miranda Newman