

**Transcript of radio interview with Matt Bach – 11 March 2023**

**Parties: Matt Bach (MB), unidentified host (UH)**

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5 **Extract: [5:50]-[7:00]**

UH: You know there's maybe footsteps that Joe followed in. I need to ask you about this, Moira Deeming. So, in Victoria we have the Safe Schools Program-

MB: Yep.

10 UH: You know you're a teacher, you've worked in a school. The Victorian Government's Safe Schools Program is an anti-bullying and inclusion program for LGBTIQ. In Victoria, other States that don't have it, we do have it in Victoria. Moira Deeming called Safe Schools and I quote "created by paedophile apologists". So, you're the Shadow Minister for Child Protection and Education like what do you think of Moira's comments and like more importantly how do we keep LGBTIQ+ children safe in schools?

15 MB: Like I say before coming into Parliament – well I was not only a school teacher but I was actually Head of Student Wellbeing at two large schools and when I was at Carey I was both the Head of Wellbeing but I was also on the board and we made a decision to join the Safe Schools Coalition. I worked with Nat Charles who's now the principal of Mentone Girls to set up a Pride Club student led with great staff engagement as well. So, I actually think that we can continue to go further to  
20 do far more to create...

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