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Dear Licensing Officer,

My name is Alice Petrie. I work at Urban Tiger as a dancer, and have worked there for a year. I would like to support the club's application for a licence because I feel that it is a nice environment to work in, everyone is friendly, it is a well run club and it is popular with both staff and customers – both men and women.

I have seen many women coming to the club because they feel comfortable coming here to have a drink, because they know they won't get hassled like they do in other places in town. We also get lots of couples coming in to enjoy the entertainment together. It is safe to say that lapdancing clubs are no longer seen as places just for men.

This is the only job that I have, and if the club closes down I will be out of work. Obviously I would look for another job, but there are not many jobs around at the moment that I could apply for and I know lots of people that are having trouble finding work at the moment as it is.

Some people who have never been in clubs like this have a stereotype image of them as being sleazy places, linked to prostitution or worse. But it is not like that. Urban tiger is a clean, well run club that offers a fun night out for adults, and it brings people into Northampton from miles around. I therefore believe Urban Tiger is an asset to Northampton and it would be a great shame to lose it.

Kind regards,

Alice Petrie