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**From:** Anastasia <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** 10 May 2015 10:53  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** Objection to application for variation (major), Premises- Auriga Restaurant, 7 Summer Street, Aberdeen, AB10 1SB

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Dear Sir/Madam

**ABERDEEN CITY LICENSING BOARD  
LICENSING (SCOTLAND) ACT 2005  
APPLICATION FOR VARIATION (MAJOR)  
PREMISES- AURIGA RESTAURANT, 7 SUMMER STREET, ABERDEEN, AB10 1SB**

As owner and resident of [REDACTED] to the licensed premises identified above, we wish to object to the portion of this application which relates to the proposed variation of terminal operating hours from 11:00 to 00:00 daily. We have no objections to the proposal to change the premises' name to Barga, or to the application to vary the commencement hour on Sundays to 11:00.

We strongly object to the proposed variation of the terminal hour from 11:00 to 00:00 daily, because we believe it is inconsistent with the 'Licensing Objectives' of **preventing public nuisance and protecting and improving public health.**

Given the proximity of the premises to our home, we are particularly concerned as to the level of noise which will travel through the structure of the building and be heard in our flat at a time when it is reasonable to expect that we will have retired to bed (typically around 22:30 during the working week). Our flat [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] This concern is heightened by the fact that the walls appear to have very poor sound proofing properties; as has become obvious as the renovation works at this property have progressed.

We are further concerned that 00:00 would not be the end of business related activity. This is not an unfounded concern and is based on our experience of the 'after hours' noise and anti-social behaviour of the customers and workers of licensed premises already in the vicinity. This is generated by activities such as cleaning and tidying, bottle recycling, bin emptying, people lingering in and around the premises waiting for taxi's/lifts home, vehicles arriving/leaving, raised voices/shouting and customers standing on the street outside our home smoking. It would not be unfair to estimate that this noise continues for at least an hour after closing. We do not believe that we should have to tolerate such noise nuisances until 00:00 at the earliest, but in reality, later, and particularly during the week. We both work full-time and we feel that if this portion of the application is successful, we would be forced to move home. It is also worth noting that most of the other licensed premises

nearby close before 00:00 during the week yet we are often affected by the noise generated for the above reasons after 23:00.

I hope that our reasons for objecting to major variations of the terminal operating hours have been set out clearly and will be carefully considered by The Board in reaching a decision.

Should a formal hearing of this application be held, we would like to be present.

Yours faithfully,

[REDACTED]