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CORRESPONDENCE – Sharon Hays

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Letter of Support for Broadlind Lounge, DBA The Basement

To Long Beach City Council:

As Manager of the Lafayette Association of Homeowners, Inc for the past fifteen (15) years I have seen many positive changes in the City. One of the positive changes has been in the Broadlind Lounge, DBA The Basement. For more than a year now I have had no complaints from any of the residents of the Lafayette.

The Basement Lounge is more than deserving of my support to allow them the permit they are requesting. They have, over the years, worked diligently with the Lafayette residents to address any noise concerns and resolve all other complaints made by the residents.

The owner, Jim Najah, has more than exceeded the restrictions and requirements the City has placed on the Basement Lounge. The fact that he employs a minimum of twelve (12) security guards to direct patrons when leaving and make sure that the Lafayette residents are not disturbed shows he is acting as a responsible owner.

I feel that restricting the Basement Lounge any further would be discriminating behavior by the City Council given that there are countless other alcohol serving businesses within a one mile radius of the Lafayette.

Please consider this information when making your decision regarding their request for a permit for Entertainment with Dancing.

Sincerely,

Sharon Hays, Manager
Lafayette Association of Homeowners, Inc