

Written Submission
to
ALL 68 Sitting Members
of
South Australian Parliament

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Supporting STEPH KEY's
Private Members Bill
To
Legalise Prostitution in SA.
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Not sure how to vote re **Legalising Prostitution?**

Welcome to your very own *Sitting Member's* Information Pack!

My very own great, great Grandpa, Joseph Barritt , was a *Sitting Member* in 1863 until poor eyesight forced him to resign - See P 14. His first wife and eldest son lie buried in the Quaker meeting ground behind St Peter's Cathedral, not far from where you sit. There is a very old Quaker saying ...

'Thou hast a concern – therefore thou must act'

This saying drives me today, in everything I do, no less in my work promoting Preventative Community Health. I have **'a concern'** that the rights, well being and working conditions of our approx 1000 Sex Workers have been overlooked by Parliament for far too long, and that our Disabled Community should have the same right to buy 'Legal Sex' with the same level of 'D4D' as the rest of us!

But my biggest **'concern'** is for the nearly 5 Good Aussie males our country loses every day to Suicide. **Sex Work saves Male Lives – and ANY male - regardless of age – is always very vulnerable to Suicide when 'left in love'.**

I have never, ever been Suicidal, but I do know **'this territory'**, very, very well. I was a strictly one woman man for 35 years until I sadly lost 'My Lifelong Love' to separation, in 2009.

Last year, **for the first time in my life** - I had 3, one hour encounters with 2 wonderful, 'beautiful' and very professional Adelaide Sex Workers – **the very best \$600 - I have ever spent on my emotional health!** This 'steadied me up', eased my aching and hurting heart and made me realise that **'someone will always love me'**, even if I have to pay them for it! See Poem P 8. And here I am today - writing to you, an **'at least halfway happy'** – single, separated 60 year old 'gent' - mostly filled with life and fun – and actively involved in promoting Preventative Community Health through our whole Community!

If, writing and sending this *package* to you - leads to even one Male who has been **'left in love'** - **reaching for his phone to ring a Legalised Brothel - instead of reaching for a gun, rope or a length of hose** - then my own life in this most beautiful S.A. State of ours - will have been richly rewarded. Thank you.

Tim Barritt

Grazier, Poet and *earthangel* (181)

Your use of this info pack , and a note to all Sitting Members.

My poems come out of our wonderful Community. What better place to put my Brothel/Sex Worker poems than into the hands of all the Sitting Members who will decide the outcome of this Legislation.

So long as it is done **in a positive, constructive way**, any Sitting Member has my full permission to read and the poems, or quote anything from this 'Information Pack', so long as you sign the poem off with my ***earthangel181*** tag, and only quote from the 'Pack' ***always in total and full context.***

To all Sitting Members 'from my heart'.

The contents of this Pack contain an intimate look - not only inside the world of Prostitution - but also that of 'Male' emotion, Heartbreak and Suicide. I offer it to you all - so you may, *if you wish*, read and digest its contents - in order to make a more fully informed decision when casting your vote.

Putting together and sending this **Information Pack** is not a small thing for one man to do - totally on his own - but I do it because of that old Quaker saying, a great sense of outrage and injustice that our Sex Workers are still made to feel like criminals, and because I might help to save Male Lives from Suicide.

Also for 2 most wonderful S.A. Sex Workers - 'Lonely Vee' and Natasha. It could be an overstatement, but I am still alive today, partly because of 3 very healing hours that I spent with them! Thank you Lonely. x Thank you Natasha. x

I am a very gentle 'energy'. I have no religious 'bent' - beyond a great Love for my Community and all those in it. **I have no connections whatsoever with the Sex Industry - beyond those clearly stated in this 'Pack'**, no criminal record and no 'track record' of getting into legal 'stoushes' with other people - I did make a few enemies in the 90's fighting to save our beautiful Red Gum Trees!

Finally, if you are reading this and are against Legalising Prostitution, please know that your views are respected, valued and upheld by this Grazier, Poet and earth angel 181. Which leaves me with only one thing left to say ...

May your very own **God** - if you have one – always *hold you very, very tight* - and well ... **Bless!!!**

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Dedication

To *Lonely* and *Natasha*, stay **very safe** - keep up the good work! *Lonely* look after that tat!

*And to the countless Aussie Males who have taken their own lives
Due to 'Love Life Related' matters...
Never knowing - however bad things may have got -
That there was always, always someone -
Who would have 'loved' them.*

*Thanks to Ari Reid, S.A. Sex Industry Network for much helpful information.
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Legalising Prostitution.

- 850 Female Sex Workers – 250,000 individual Male client contacts annually*.
- Including a small but very important Sex Service for our Disabled.*
- Estimated annual 'turnover' - \$25,000,000.* (For * See Pgs 2-6 for more info).

The basic rights and working conditions of this small but very significant and important group of hard working, professional S.A. women, men and transsexuals* - have been overlooked by our Community for far too long. Worse still - this 'stigma' and social injustice is also transferred onto around 250,000 S.A. males who use this service annually*. Current Prostitution Laws turn what should be a basic human right of paying a fee for a sexual service - and available to all adults over the age of consent - into an '*illegal activity*'.

Surveys consistently show the **Sexual Health of Australian Sex Workers to be BETTER than the general community*** - which justifies the Sex Industry's mandatory use of condoms, and validates their current claim of being '*The Safe Sex Experts*'! There is also some credible evidence to suggest that the drug most used by Sex Workers is nicotine and **that other drugs are used at a rate comparable to the rest of our Community***.

For many and probably most Males, 'Sex' = 'Love'. This is not right or wrong. Good or bad. It just 'is'. There are no statistics available that I am aware of, to indicate just how many of the nearly 5 Males lost each and every day in Australia to suicide are '*Love Life related*'. This is partly because the countless heartbroken males who have tragically taken their own lives after being 'left' – **then overwhelmed with desperation, loneliness, anger, grief and hurt - are no longer here** - lost forever to the hearts and lives all those left behind.

- **Sex Work saves many Male Lives!** Legalised Sex Work will save many more!
- Any Community serious about reducing our current male suicide rate and -
- Serious about respecting the rights of our disabled (SWD4D)
- **Should get VERY serious about Legalising Prostitution.**

The writer makes no claim that the above figures are accurate*, but they are his 'best guess' - erring on the Conservative side for 'good measure'. **Also because most Males are not prepared to talk about or share their intimate Sex Worker experiences - for very obvious reasons, I have written and included all of the attached poems - to convey some of this experience to you as - a 'Sitting Member' and for our general Community.**

I am happy and very comfortable to talk constructively with any Sitting Member about these issues and can be contacted at any time on 0402018163. **My own Separation, Family and associated details are - and will remain totally private - for obvious reasons.** The contents of this *Pack* are for all to see. They might save another Man's life!! Hopefully more!

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Proudly supporting S.A.'s Sex Workers and the Sexual Rights of our Disabled Community

Individual Male Client Contacts per year – IMCCPY

The important thing here is NOT that my figures are 'right'. **They may well not be.** No one will ever know! **And my base input information may be incorrect.** I may have been misinformed!

The important thing here is that if you, as a Sitting Member have access to 'more correct' information – as well you might – **then just put your own figures into the equation below, and see what you come up with!**

IMCCPY = No. of Workers Working x IMCC/Week x No. of Weeks Worked.

- My best info* says there are between 800 and 1000 Sex Workers in S.A.
- I am going for 1000, it is an easier to work with!!
- Take off - **without disregarding at all - their value and importance**
- 5% Male and 10% Transsexual Sex Workers* leaves
- **Around 850 Female Sex Workers.** (*Source – Sex Industry Network)

Now in order to arrive at a figure which has some semblance of credibility, I **have completely disregarded 350 of these 850** leaving only 500 who let's say ... Work for 48 weeks of the year and have 10.42 IMCC / week which is only really 2/night for a 5 night week! **The '.42' is to round the figure up to 250,000.** But **having disregarded 350 workers as above I have allowed myself 'this latitude'.**

Last year, making my first ever call to a Brothel - one of the larger Adelaide 'establishments' - at 2.00 am – **totally ignorant of the fact that this time was 'rush hour' in a Brothel** - the receptionist said very, very nicely ...

"Darling, I am very, very sorry, but all our girls are either 'flat out', or simply 'run off their feet'. You'll have to wait until the 5.00 am shift comes on!"

So, being a quick learner - I make my second call 'off peak' - mid morning to a different 'establishment' - asked about 'rates', and was told very, very nicely...

"Yes Sir, our rates are \$180/hour, \$90/ half hour – but the girls are currently running a July 'Make your winter warmer SPECIAL', 45 minutes for \$110!"

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Individual Male Client Contacts per year – IMCCPY

Continued

I will confess to a little use of *'poetic license'* in just how these 2 wonderful Brothel receptionists phrased their information, **but the phone calls were made, the first Brothel WAS obviously very busy**, I could hear other unanswered phones going off in the background, and the Girl's July *'Winter Special'* was definitely on! - but I took 'the full hour' - with *'Lonely Vee'*!

Now I have told these 2 stories NOT just to get 'a laugh' – **but we can't take ourselves too seriously - all of the time - no less in a Brothel, but ...**

In preparing this information kit, I have done a great deal of thinking around the subject, and it is now my 'gut feeling' – **that a lot more Paid Sex might actually be 'happening' in S.A. – than many of us know about or realise!**

Certainly, I have to say that when I put my own figures for 'the equation' in to my calculator for the first time – I thought my calculator must be broken – I could NOT believe the huge number the screen was telling me!

But you do not have to have a degree in Social Work - or be a Rhodes Scholar in 'emotional mathematics' **to appreciate that if only a very small % - say 5% = 12,500 good South Aussie Males - present with 'being left in love' issues, the potential here for reducing Male Suicide here is huge!** I believe the real figure would be much, much higher than 5%!

Annual 'turnover'

Just how much Sex can you buy for \$25,000,000 ???

Working on what I understand is roughly the going rate of

- \$100 for a *'quick job'* grading up to
- \$200 for a full hour, *'straight sex'* with no extras,

I have gone for the very conservative figure of \$100 per individual client contact, which keeps the maths simple, 250,000 contacts is \$25,000,000.

Please note I have deliberately NOT taken into account repeat clients, which complicates the issue further - and I left this topic alone.

“Sex Workers Have Better Sexual Health than the average Person”

Here I refer you to email from Ari Reid, current Manager of the Sex Industry Network. (Please see next page).

Personally, I can attest to the fact that ‘the Girls’ are experts in Safe Sex. **Their lives, and those of their clients depend upon it!!**

In fact, **in a one hour appointment with Worker Natasha, I had more condom changes - than you would see ‘baton changes’ while watching a 10 lane, 4 x 400M Olympic Relay qualifying heat!**

“The drug most used by Sex Workers is nicotine, with other drugs used at comparable rates to the rest of the Community”.

This claim is based on research out of Brisbane in 1991 and again in 2007. **Unlike the previous issue above, I would not consider this research to be enough to fully justify this claim.**

In my own very limited experience, while I saw and smelled plenty of evidence of nicotine, **but saw or suspected nothing at all of other drugs.**

Re My Poems in this Pack.

While I have used some ‘*poetic license*’, which for professional reasons I will not divulge, **all of my ‘brothel poems’ are a true to real life.**

However please note that the names of the workers, addresses and location of the 2 ‘establishments’ concerned - have been deliberately changed and disguised, in order to protect the identity and privacy of all concerned.

“Workers have better Sexual Health than the general public”

Email from Ms Ari Reid

Hi Tim,

On the clinic 275 website under statistics you can look at any of the activity reports from the various dates such as this one from 2009

<http://www.stdservices.on.net/publications/pdf/qsr200903.pdf>

and it gives all the different notifiable diseases it breaks the numbers down. For example on page 10 where it is reporting on people who tested positive for Chlamydia, at the bottom it breaks it down to employment and out of the 3000 people that tested positive for Chlamydia in that reporting period, only 5 of them were sex workers.

You could also look at the afao website or the scarlet alliance website look up Basil Donovan’s work and also Roberta Perkins research.

Good luck

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The right to access Paid Sex by our Disabled Community.

“SWD4D”

I recently heard a most excellent BBC programme in the very early hours of the morning, on *Sex for the Disabled*. From memory - I was half asleep - this programme was called *'The Too Hard Basket'* and it was recorded in Sydney.

This set me thinking as follows...

- Our Community obviously values 'Dignity' for our Disabled because
- We have a **D4D** Rep in the Upper House so

If our Community values this so much then

- **Why does our Parliament make Prostitution a criminal act?**
- **How can our Disabled buy a Sex Service with ANY dignity when**
- **You make this an illegal act?**

The S.A, Sex Industry Network gets around 30 calls a year from **Disabled people wanting to access Disabled friendly Sex Workers,**

- And this is in addition to the many, many Disabled Client contacts
- Which **happen** anyway throughout the year anyway,
- With 'Disabled Friendly' Sex Workers.

P.S. At the very end of this programme they played a short 'grab' from one of the Disabled contributors, a man who said ...

"I have no feeling from the neck down – but it's surprising just how much can 'happen' – from the neck up!!!"

Please do not quote me on this, I was half asleep when I heard it.

But I think I did 'hear it right'!!!

Sometimes lonely *Angels* - need some loving too!

For a Most Beautiful 'Angel'

Vee

The Beatles *got it wrong* -
In their wonderful sixties song...
'I don't care too much for money,
Money can't buy me love...'!

In a long lifetime - of *loving*,
First time - when *Love*
Just would not come - *for free*,
My answer came '*from heaven*',
An '*Angel of my night time*',
A rose *tat* - upon her breast,
By the name of '*Lonely Vee*'!

In a house - in an Adelaide suburb,
Not far from the Semaphore sea,
A late winter's afternoon sun -
Busy cars, '*rush hour*' *on the run*...
Two '*bless-ed*' - '*bed-ed*' *Angels*,
Having lots of fun...
But just *who* - was loving *who*?
We got confused - but we didn't care!
For one very beautiful hour,
It never mattered to Vee or me,
Nor that we both knew -
That she didn't '*come*' - *for free*!

After 40 years of *loving*,
I broke that '*big taboo*',
Life's too short - not *to live*,
With rose *tat* and loving arms -
She had just so much
Beautiful love to give -
Who was loving *who*?
Two *Angels* *loving each other*...

Because sometimes lonely *Angels* -
Need some loving too!

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Calling you Love and Darling!

For Natasha - Night Angel 246

I walked through the rain...
Carrying only my pain...
Hoping - I would not...
Be hurt, then *left* -
All over again!

I *knocked* on the door -
Of '*number 634*',
Feeling like an old,
Discarded - unwanted
And abandoned *starling*...

Just what did I find?
To my great surprise!
Made my spirits gently rise...
And eased my troubled mind!
A *house* filled with beautiful people -
Who treated me with love and kindness,
And kept calling me -
Love and Darling!

My Angel's name was Natasha,
Only *just* half my age...
Filled with *fun* and *joy*,
Sparkle and sex...
I was *her only boy!!!*
I read her poems...
We compared *early homes*...
Years ago,
She was *a tear away*
Teenage kid...

But with a loving
Thoughtful mix -
So skilled at *turning trix*,
I kept waiting,
For something *bad*
To happen...
But it just never did!
With such a cheeky
Grin and smile,
She proudly showed -
Her most beautiful,
Smallish breasts,

Saying...
"More than a handful...
Is more than enough!"
She had such love, care –
And *cheek* - to give,
Makes a man feel it's a joy,
Again – just to live...
This is where my story ends...
And my healing heart...
So softly rests!

The message in *this encounter*,
If I had one to impart -
Well,
If you're walking
In that *lonely rain*...
With a *sad and hurting heart*,
And lots and lots of pain...
Feeling like that old
Discarded - unwanted
And abandoned *starling*...

There's always a door,
Like 634 -
You should always *know*,
That while you're there,
You'll be treated with
Kindness, and *special care*,
By beautiful loving *Angels* –
Who'll hold you very tight,
To ease you
Through *your lonely night* –
Calling you *Love and Darling!!*

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Note quickly *penned* for Natasha – hand delivered to ‘reception’ at **634** – with a copy of ‘her poem’ *‘Calling you Love and Darling’*, a gift of a signed copy of both of my poetry books - and a single Red Rose, attached to this ‘package’ - with a one metre length - of baling twine.

Just for *‘the perfect you’*

For Natasha 246

Here we are again,
Together,
Yet apart...

But you are reading this
Because,
You have touched and healed,
A tiny
Little piece,
Of my very -
Very broken heart!

Just like when you gave me *oral*,
Through that condom,
100% perfect –
Best *job* that you can do...

I have made this poem,
Just as perfect as I can

Just for *the perfect you.*

Tim 181 x

Whose Body is a Whores

In our State, this question
Is of very worthy *ask*,
Our *oldest profession*,
Such a very worthy task!

Because here, prostitution,
Is a crime against our Laws,
My body's no body's body but mine,
Your body is always yours -
But not if *your body*,
Is a South Australian Whore's!

Worker's rights – are worker's rights
No matter what you do,
Mining, manufacture,
Of collar - red, white or blue...
And sex work is *real* work -
Just another of our Country's
Many valued *chores*,
But not if you are one -
Of our South Australian Whores!

I ask this important question,
To our *Parliamentary Crew*,
Does *equal* not mean *equal*,
No matter who you are,
Or what work that you do?
So if you're a *Sitting Member*,
Of whatever sex or *hue*,

Make prostitution Legal,
With fair and equal Laws,
Protection and rights,
For those beautiful and brave
Angels of our nights -
Our South Australian Whores.

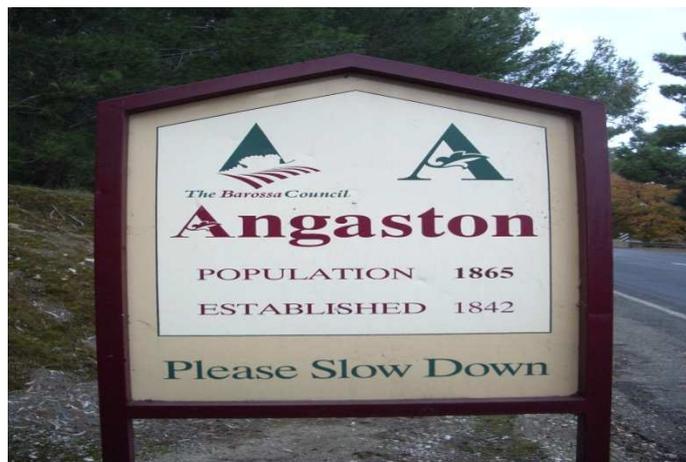
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Legalising Prostitution.

Many Male Suicides are *'love life'* related.



In 2008, 2191 good Aussie people committed suicide - 6 for every day!
1710 were males – that's almost 5/6! **A whole "Town Full" of Males**, nearly the size of Angaston - lost forever to the hearts and lives of those left behind.



Legalising Prostitution will...

- Give those Males who may need it *'proper'* and *Legal* access to
- Professional, clean and safe S.A. Sex Workers - at these crisis times
- Or for men who for many good reasons are
- Unable to find a sexual partner in any other way.
- It will NOT erode our important traditional family/relationship values
- But will reduce Sexual Crime and
- Help to keep more of our Males emotionally healthy – and alive!

Who 'on earth' is *earthangel181*?

I was born in Tanunda on 18.1.1951, which explains the **181**.

Early in 2010, I was helping a fellow Poet who had been in a destructive relationship with a man **who was so violent that he had broken her arm, and shortly after she got away from him, to 'get back at her' - he burnt ALL of her poems. She had no other copies!** By the time I caught up with her - she had stopped writing completely.

Over a period of 2 weeks I dialogued with her via email on her Mum's i'phone, encouraging her to not let this Domestic Violence *rule her life, to face her fears* - and start writing again.

Right '*out of the blue*' I got an *sms 'thank you'* from her, and in it - she called me an Earth Angel. Very simply, this brought tears to my eyes, and still does!

I thought well, if the hat fits, well wear it! So I tried it on. It seemed to fit, so I started using it as my poetry '*sign off tag*', and for my web site. Simply really!

A very few more words about myself.

- Born, raised and bred on the family Farm, 900 hectares of the steep and rugged Barossa Ranges, east of Lyndoch, Barossa Valley. This is my home and where I earn my living - running ewes for Prime Lamb production.
- Educated locally, in Adelaide and on the streets and underground subways of London - where I spent a year working as a busker - in 1973.
- Married 1975, the very, very proud father of 3 beautiful daughters.
- Very active in the Landcare movement in the 90's and early next decade
- Then turned *my hand* to Preventative Community Health ...
- Starting a bi monthly Men's Health Column '**Male Box**' in the Gawler Bunyip - circulation 30,000 - in 2007. N.B. This '*kit*' – AND my **181 Preventative Community Health** website - are both **totally and fully 'private' and independent from 'Male Box'** - which is Community Sponsored.
- Recently returned from celebrating my 60th birthday in New York!
- Built my brand new '*cyber home*' www.earthangel181.com late last year. It currently has had 21,000 '*cyber hits*'. I am aiming for a million!
- There is plenty more about me on this site, just go to *Who is Tim Barritt?* or *About Earth Angels* ... **you will probably bore yourself silly reading it!!**

Joseph Barritt Sitting Member 1863

IV

OUR PASTORAL INDUSTRY.

The correct spelling of the name Lyndech is Lynedoch, as it was named after Lord Lynedoch, but has since been contracted to its present form. The present appropriate name of the estate was not adopted by Mr. Barritt till 1858, when the present homestead was built.

It was soon after this the discovery of copper mines at the Burra having caused people to go there in large numbers, and, the surrounding country being so suitable for grazing purposes, Mr. Barritt and his friend (Mr. Duffield) entered into a partnership in a sheep run—the Princess Royal Station and adjoining country comprising some of the present Koonoona Station.

In the year 1850, having two young motherless children, Mr. Barritt decided to pay a visit to his native land to see his family again, taking the children (one of each sex) with him. He returned to Australia, where they remained, and he added to his estate there, a large tract of land, which was completed in 1854, Hannah, one of the children of the family arrived in the colony with her mother and eight children, four sons and four daughters, all survived him.

In the year 1860 Messrs Barritt and Barker purchased the Range, adjoining the Pewsey Range, from Stephen Goldup Finn the right of purchase, and the property was his other estate a few miles

About this time (1861) the property was purchased from Mr. McLeod, and worked largely to its extent during the year he sold, about 1875, the property (the Station adjoining) and part



THE LATE MR. JOSEPH BARRITT.

the children with relatives in England, where they remained, and he decided to settle at Lyndoch, and "the future home of the family," the future home of the family, which was completed in 1854, Hannah, one of the children of the family arrived in the colony with her mother and eight children, all survived him.

ed partnership, and the following year Mr. William Barker in the Barossa Range, he also leased from Mr. Barker the present Highlands estate, and the house built in the next year, and horses in connection with

on the River Darling, N.S.W., was used as a sheep and station, adding to the outside country. This property was still in the possession of Mr. Ben Chaffey.

In 1877-8 he purchased the Yattalunga Estate from Mr. Phillip Butler, also that of South Para from Mr. Trego Williams.

Mr. Barritt took a deep interest in the affairs of his adopted land from the very beginning both in local matters and those pertaining to the whole colony, and he served the various districts in which he resided as Councillor on many occasions. He was keenly interested in politics, and was elected as a member of the House of Assembly for the District of Barossa in 1863, but on account of his poor eyesight he had to resign next year. This affliction, with the prospect of total blindness, was a great strain upon him at this time. In 1871 he entirely lost his sight, which he felt sorely, for it obliged him to live in retirement during the last ten years of his life, though he continued to conduct his business to the last, and his interest in all that affected the welfare of the country never abated.

In the year 1881 the family was broken up by the death of both mother and father in June and August respectively, and the landed properties were divided among the sons.

Who Needs Any Excuse - To Drink Champagne?

The world may be filled
With international crises,
Wracked with financial *pain* –
The day may be fine and sunny,
Or bucketing down with rain...
But who - ever needed any excuse,
To drink Champagne!

Who needs any excuse
To dress with style and swank?
Make your own *quiet whoopee* –
Paint the town with friends or family!
And put some *free credit*,
Back into your *happiness tank*!

Who needs any excuse
To create a *little love*,
Send flowers or a *tiny text* -
You never really know,
What may happen next!
Or just hold her very tight
In your arms and say -
Your eyes shine with more sparkle
Than the brightest stars above!

No time to stop and wallow
In too much grief and sorrow,
Who knows if I'll still be here -
But if I am - I'll do it ...
All over again tomorrow!

So I take every chance
For fun and *romance*,
Again, again and again,
Come sun, come shine or rain!
And never need a single excuse -
To laugh – and drink Champagne!

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