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To whom it may concern

Ref: ITEC NVQ Level 3 Diploma in Barbering QAN 601/5796/3

I represent the National Hairdressers' Federation (NHF) which is the UK's largest employer led trade association, representing hairdressing, barbering and beauty salon owners.

We are pleased to provide this letter of recognition for the ITEC NVQ Level 3 Diploma in Barbering QAN 601/5796/3 as we believe this qualification is fit for purpose in terms of progression to employment. The qualification is valued as it is listed on the Ofqual Register of Qualifications and also covers all of the core skills and underpinning knowledge required at Level 3 in the barbering industry. This qualification enables access to professional indemnity insurance to cover barbers whilst working on their clients.

As such this qualification enables graduates to undertake the following specific skills in the workplace:

- Creatively Cut Hair Using a Combination of Barbering Techniques
- Design and Create a Range of Facial Hair Shapes
- Provide Shaving Services

The skills outlined above enable graduates to undertake the following job roles in employment:

- Barber
- Salon Supervisor
- Salon Manager
- Session Barber
- Technical Representative

Employment may be gained in a variety of settings:

- Barber shops or hairdressing salons
- Product companies

This qualification offers further progression for graduates if they wish to go on to become a salon owners and managers or specialists in the treatment of scalp and skin conditions, as they can undertake the ITEC Level 4 Diploma in Spa and Salon Management QAN 501/01/46/8 or the ITEC Level 4 Certificate in Trichology for Hairdressers QAN 601/5297/7. These qualifications would not be possible without the underpinning knowledge and skills developed at Level 3.

I would like to confirm that I authorise ITEC to use our organisational name and brand, in association with the support for the ITEC NVQ Level 3 Diploma in Barbering QAN 601/5796/3, in its marketing and on its public website.

Should you have any questions regarding my support of this qualification please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Hilary Hall". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Hilary Hall

Chief Executive, National Hairdressers Federation