

WARD 5 IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

**ACT NOW TO PREVENT THE DISTRICT GOVERNMENT FROM
CREATING A ‘RED LIGHT DISTRICT’ IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD.
STOP THE DISTRICT FROM MAKING WARD 5 THE CITY’S
DUMPING GROUND FOR STRIP CLUBS.**

MYTH: Stadium Club at 2127 Queens Chapel Rd NE is a “gentleman’s club.”

Reality: Commonplace strippers perform lap dances and other acts in exchange for money from customers.

MYTH: Every ward is required to have two strip clubs.

Reality: ONLY Ward 5 has gotten strip clubs that were “displaced” by Nationals baseball stadium. The District is concentrating all the strip clubs in Ward 5 to create a new red light district.

MYTH: Strip clubs are allowed to locate here and we can’t do anything about it.

Reality: District agencies are breaking the zoning rules to allow the Stadium Club and Club AKA 555 (2046 West Virginia Ave NE) to move into Ward 5. The Zoning Administrator is wrongly issuing certificates of occupancy for “non sexually-oriented businesses” to the strip clubs, which allows them to come here without a variance or a public hearing. We have appealed to the Board of Zoning Adjustment, which will decide on December 7th whether Ward 5 will become a permanent dumping ground for strip clubs in the District.

**CALL OR EMAIL THESE DISTRICT OFFICIALS AND TELL
THEM IT’S TIME FOR OUR NEIGHBORHOOD TO STOP BEING A
DUMPING GROUND FOR STRIP CLUBS THAT NO OTHER
WARD WILL ACCEPT.**

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