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To: <u>Health and Community Services Committee</u>

Subject: Outdoor Advertising Inquiry

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To whom it may concern,

I have recently been informed that a billboard has been placed directly opposite the Enoggera barracks advertising a local strip club.

It is inappropriate for our children, for our women and for our men to be exposed to advertisements for strip clubs in their own community, especially without us even seeking out such material. I also find it offensive that this is being placed outside the army barracks. The military and navy have huge problems with sexual abuse and sexism towards women, and we should not be encouraging men to view women primarily as sex objects.

"News emerged this week of a military "Internet sex ring," as the <u>Sydney Morning</u> <u>Herald</u> reports, in which male army officers and employees of a defense contractor emailed one another videos and photos of naked women, along with "derogatory comments about their conquests," the paper reports.

At times, the men would also provide contact info, urging others to try to seduce the women. Australia's <u>News.com</u> reports that some of the women are members of the Australian Defense Force; others are civilians and government employees. The group of men called themselves the Jedi Council." - http://www.npr.org/blogs/thetwo-way/2013/06/14/191684468/australian-generals-frank-talk-on-sexual-abuse-wins-fans

Myself and many others in the community are disgusted with the constant sexualisation of our women and children, and I myself have had enough of the sex industry grooming our communities for their own gain and to the detriment of our men, women and children. Please act in the best interests of our community by immediately calling for this billboard to be removed.

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