

June 5, 2012

Support for International Go Skate Day at Palace 5ive 14th and W Streets, NW, Thursday, June 21, 2012

To Whom It May Concern:

Meridian Hill Neighborhood Association ("MHNA") strongly supports Palace 5ive's planned festivities for Go Skate Day, an international event that takes place on June 21 each year. On that day, 700-800 skateboarding youth from the District of Columbia and surrounding areas gather at Palace 5ive, 2220 14th Street, NW, and on the northwest corner of 14th and W Streets, NW. Palace 5ive provides a free lunch of grilled hot dogs and hamburgers. Its vendors distribute free promotional materials. We support this event because it:

- Promotes the Meridian Hill neighborhood as a destination;
- Attracts a significant number of daytime retail patrons;
- · Promotes physical fitness;
- Provides a safe place to play outside;
- Promotes in-person engagement;
- Provides, for at least one day, additional "eyes on the street", near a crime trouble spot; and
- Is open to everyone and free of charge.

We are aware that Palace 5ive must obtain a permit from the District of Columbia Fire and EMS Department for outdoor grilling. We ask ANC 1B to support Palace 5ive's endeavors in this regard.

Meridian Hill Neighborhood Association is a nonprofit neighborhood association dedicated to improving the community by strengthening relationships between neighbors, businesses, developers, schools, churches, local government and other neighborhood groups. Membership is open to all individuals residing within its boundaries, shown below, which includes Palace 5ive and the corner of 14th & W Streets, NW.



Meridian Hill Neighborhood Association Boundaries

More information can be found on our Web site at www.meridianhilldc.org.

Sincerely,
/s/ Christina Parascandola
Christina Parascandola
President
Meridian Hill Neighborhood Association