



WRIGHT MEMORIAL PUBLIC LIBRARY

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Request for Reconsideration of Library Material

We are sorry if you have been offended by any material in the library's collection. Wright Memorial Public Library subscribes to the Library Bill of Rights as adopted by the American Library Association. This document reads, in part: "Books and other library resources should be provided for the interest, information, and enlightenment of all people of the community the library serves. Materials should not be excluded because of the origin, background, or views of those contributing to their creation." Everyone's tastes are different and it is the library's responsibility to provide materials on a multitude of subjects and viewpoints, in many styles.

If you think that an item does not belong in the library, we invite you to fill out this form and return it to the front desk. The staff will see that it is given to the library director, who will be in touch with you regarding your request.

Your name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Representing:

Self

Organization: _____

Material on which you wish to comment:

Title: Zombieland

Author, artist, or producer: The actors

What brought this work to your attention? featured in 3 day

What are your concerns about this work and/or what are your specific objections to it?
(Use back or additional pages if you wish.)

What would you like the library to do with this work?

Re-evaluate it.

Withdraw it from the collection.

Other: burn it destroy all copies

Is there a work representing your viewpoint that you would like to recommend for the library?

This is garbage suitable for

Signature: _____

teenaged boys
and best
on xxx ratings or hard R

If you see
any redemptive
or entertainment
value let me know.
Movies like this are
precursors to a
descent into
insensitivity.

I hated it
Put it through the
shredder
Thank you

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Dear

I received your comments about the DVD "Zombieland." While "Zombieland" was clearly not to your taste, libraries circulate movies like it because they reflect popular culture. This particular film was nominated for eight awards (and won one) for horror and comedy movies. It got favorable reviews as a combination of a zombie movie and a parody of zombie movies. You have probably noticed that vampires and zombies are popular themes right now in fiction and films. In April, the *Atlantic Monthly* even featured an article called "Our Zombies, Ourselves" about the current zombie craze.

Public libraries try to make a broad selection of materials to our patrons. Sometimes what appeals to one person may be offensive to another. "Zombieland" may be enjoyed by those who like popular horror movies, those who enjoy parodies of popular culture, and those who wish to study the current zombie phenomenon. The selection of any material for the library does not constitute an endorsement of its content. Some materials are bound to be controversial and any given item may offend some users.

I do understand your personal objections to "Zombieland." It does, however, fit the criteria of having received favorable reviews and popular interest and demand from our patrons.

Respectfully yours,

Ann Snively
Director