7-Eleven adult magazine ban lauded

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Sherrie Stewart of Farmington Hills believes the corporate decision to ban the sale of adult magazines at 7-Eleven stores is an example of how concerned people can make a difference even with a multi-million corresponding

difference even with a multi-million corporation. "Given the size of 7-Eleven corporation." Given the size of 7-Eleven feward by the Dallas-based Southland Corp.), I think it is significant they have withdrawn the magazines because an awful lot of people must have responded," said slewart, local spokeswoman and member of the Misskispip-based National Federation of Decency.

In mid-March Slewart and three other residents joined the federation's annual picketing of 7-Eleven stores in opposition to the sale of what they believe is soft pornography. Locally, residents picketed the

DAN NOVAK, manager of the Orchard Lake 7-Eleven store — picketed in March — declined to comment
this week on whether whether the
store planned to follow Southland
Corp. official's decision to ban adult
magazines.

But Stewart credits the decency
federation and similar groups, such
sa Rev. Jerry Falwelt's Moral Majority, for putting enough pressure

7-Eleven store at 29318 Orchard
Lake in Farmington Hills.
Last week, however, the Southland
Corp. announced that its more than
4,000 chain stores around the country would no longer sell adult magazines after the current May issues
have been soil. I mar really thrilled,
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azines, a Southand Corp.
disagreed.
"I don't know where they would
get that because we don't release
that kind of information," said Doug
Reed, Southland Corp. spokesman.

Even though Southland Corp. officials have decided to ban the sale of adult magazines. Stewart intends to carry on her fight against what she considers both soft and hard pornography.

"I think Americans are trying to let just the whole realm of entertainment and media know that they have had chough. They (Americans) really want to go back to a more moral form of entertainment." Stewart form of entertainment." Stewart sail to be successful to the same the correlation between what entertainment projects as the moral norm with the distraction of their family relationships, teen-age pregnancy, violent acts and crime," she continued.

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While Stewart maintains that other stores follow 7-Eleven's former polley of keeping adult magazines behind counters out-of-sight, she nonetheless plans to talk with store owners about following the national chain's lead in removing the manazines.

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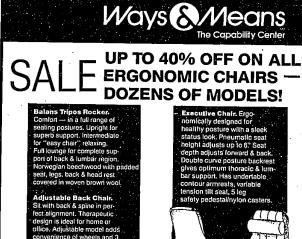
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