Over the course of the last year, escalating criminal activity has been taking place in West 5th Street between South Broadway and South Hill Street in Downtown Los Angeles and has been exacerbated by parked motor vehicles that are used to conceal this criminal activity.

Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) Central Division has documented over 25 incidents of crime this year to date on this stretch of West 5th Street including the violent assault of a downtown resident at ~6 PM on Tuesday, August 15th and the stabbing assault of an LAPD officer in the afternoon on Tuesday, October 10th.

In order to address this increasingly hazardous situation, in conjunction with the Council District 14 office, LAPD Central Division employed a strategy of using Department of Transportation (LADOT) temporary "No Parking" signs to prevent cars from parking on this block. This strategy has proven ineffective as the signs are almost immediately removed, allowing the individuals creating this dangerous environment to continue to park with impunity.

I THEREFORE MOVE the City Council direct LADOT to install red curbs and signage prohibiting on-street parking on W 5th Street between S Broadway and S Hill Street.

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