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Dear Dr Buch

Thank you for providing feedback on the forum, *A Housing Crisis – Queensland Perspectives*, organized by our Society and the University of Queensland School of the Environment. I'm sorry for the delay in replying to your letter. Our President has been unable to be contacted for the last week or so.

Personally, I did not interpret Rachel Gallagher's remark as indicating she was unconcerned about demolishing post-1940s buildings of significant heritage value to make way for medium-density housing. Certainly, that is not the Society's view. In the past, we owned two heritage-listed buildings until the upkeep became too much for a small non-profit organization to afford.

It is a difficult balancing act – preserving character neighbourhoods while increasing the density of our cities to sustainably cater for growing populations. It is understandable that people bring varying perspectives to this issue. Rachel's perspective as an urban geographer interested in inclusive and equitable spaces is likely to be different from an historian's perspective.

The format of the event enabled people to challenge the presenters and put forward alternate views.

Yours sincerely

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Secretary