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Att: Ms Clair Morrison

Re: Proposal to de-list 38 Moreton Terrace, Heritage Plan Item No 1228

I **object** to removing 38 Moreton Terrace from the local heritage list because its heritage value remains intact and has probably increased since earlier assessments were made.

A Statement of Significance, with supporting argument and evidence is set out in the attachment to this letter.

After addressing each of the relevant heritage listing criteria, I conclude that 38 Moreton Terrace should remain on the local heritage list because it remains of local heritage significance for its Associational, Historical, Aesthetic, Technological and Social values, and is potentially of State heritage significance for its Associational, Aesthetic and Technological values.

There is no reasonable argument to de-list 38 Moreton Terrace on the basis that it may lack heritage significance. If anything, it should receive increased protection and be nominated for State listing.

In addition, there are no planning or conservation reasons to de-list 38 Moreton Terrace. I argue that to do so would seriously undermine the credibility of the shire's heritage list, and diminish trust in Council's management of local heritage resources.

I have worked in the heritage industry on a professional basis for over 20 years, and even longer in a voluntary capacity, and in my experience, de-listing a heritage place is never the prelude to better heritage, conservation or planning outcomes. I object to this proposed de-listing, and I strongly urge Council to reject the request to de-list.

I have no objection to any of the material in this submission being made available to the public.

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission,

Yours sincerely,

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Bruce Baskerville
16 December 2016