INQUIRY INTO MUSEUMS AND GALLERIES

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JACKSONS LANDING COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION SUBMISSION TO UPPER HOUSE ENQUIRY INTO MUSEUMS AND GALLERIES The redevelopment of the CSR site in Pyrmont involved painstaking heritage research (by Sydney Harbour Foreshore Authority), extensive reuse of industrial structures and well-placed signage (by Lend Lease), and the removal of some items to the Powerhouse Museum. In particular, the museum holds a scale model of Jacksons Landing (photo attached), and many items from the rest of Pyrmont, creating a unique record of this peninsula's modern history. The Jacksons Landing Community Association is deeply concerned about the fate of this extensive collection, if the State Government proceeds to demolish the current museum. Where can this material possibly be stored before the Parramatta museum is built? Where will it be stored and displayed after the new museum is built? What meaning will it have for people in Sydney's western suburbs, who have their own history, which is quite different from the industrial heritage of Pyrmont, Ultimo and the inner west? How will the people for whom it has meaning - including the many school and university students studying urban renewal in this area - gain access to it?