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**FORREST BLOCK 3 SECTION 2  
43 MELBOURNE AVE  
DA 201833736**

We note that this DA includes minor demolition and the proposal to subdivide the block into two blocks.

This is a significant house by noted architects Moir and Sutherland and was their own home.

It is within Blandfordia 4 Conservation Area and identified as a significant building.

We note that Objective 1.1. of the Heritage Guidelines states:

*To conserve the existing original road hierarchy and layout, planted traffic islands, pedestrian circulation patterns and subdivision layout.*

Mandatory Requirement 1.1.a state:

*Blocks shall retain the visual characteristics of the original subdivision when viewed from the street or adjacent public domain, ie a single detached house, town house or duplex.*

The proposal is contrary to this mandatory requirement and should not be supported.

We further believe that this subdivision is to enable a second dwelling to be erected in close proximity to a significant building which will also adversely affect its significance.

Yours sincerely

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