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For the Munjoy Hill file.

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To: Jeff Levine --You have been doing marathon work. Someone should be writing a documentary of Portland's journey here.

I don't want to take more time, so this is brief. Please don't go back to the higher roof; that allowance is one of the ugliest things emerging around Munjoy.

I have taken my friend to task for just wanting to tear down (builders generally find it much more agreeable to build new than to renovate, where you never know what you'll find next as a problem to solve). The argument is deeper than his convenience. They come up with so many arguments to support their conviction that almost all older properties are too worn down to be saved, and they don't want the expense. The neighborhood is not for the developers; it is for the residents.

Please keep that in mind while you are revising policy recommendations.

Please put the residents of this city ahead of the developers. They will find work. Residents may not find other neighborhoods.

Thanks, Grace