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Buffalo must let go of defunct structures

It is a joke that Buffalo can't escape its economic depression due to the manipulations of special-interest groups. Buffalo is on the verge of getting a major influx of sorely needed revenue through the building of a casino in the Cobblestone District. Instead of support, still another attempt will be made, through the courts, to delay this much-needed project.

A threat was made to file a court order to stop the demolition of the H-O Oats grain elevator. My questions; What revenue has this crumbling eyesore generated in the last 10 years? What purpose does it serve, other than to provide a pigeon roost and a roof over the asbestos? How many people in the past six months have visited the abandoned grain elevator to say; "Oooh! Aaah! Look at this marvelous example of what Buffalo was"?

How many Buffalo hotel rooms were occupied by tourists who traveled to see this? So what if a parking lot is put in its place? At least the land would lend itself to a revenue-generating purpose. Buffalo needs to look to the future and let go of the defunct structures of the past.

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