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I think it should be legal to use video game roms/isos to make classic video games always accessible to the public. Movies and tv shows are always made accessible to the public no matter how old they are. Outdated copyright laws get in the way of classic video games always being made available. A lot of classic video games pre 2015 will never be re released because of the video game devs or publishers no longer existing or going out of business and the rights be sold off and not knowing who owns what. I think an exemption should be made so that backing up and distributing roms and ISOs of games that are no longer available through other means is legal. Or libraries and archives should be able to lend them to people and not just be restricted to access on the grounds or premise of the archive or library. Video games are apart of our culture just like movies and tv shows and music. All Video games should be able to be enjoyed by anyone regardless of where a person is located in the world and no matter what year it is. Libraries and archives have been able to lend people classic movies and tv shows and music for years they can go home and watch those movies or tv shows or listen to that music. We need people to be able to play video games from anywhere in the world no matter how old they are or what year it is. Video games are apart our culture and they're art and history. Every time in the past the entertainment software association has tried blocking this request and has won. They have said they can re release classic video games. Not all classic video games get re released. There was a study done by the video game history foundation that said 87% of video games pre 2010 are critically endangered.

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