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I would like to express my support for the exemption of DRM-protected video games in public and professional libraries for the purposes of historical preservation and public enjoyment. Too many games, especially games made for niche hardware or requiring defunct software, are unplayable in any form. Many more games are unplayable unless a player is willing to purchase and maintain decades' worth of software and hardware or engage in petty piracy. If an exemption were to be granted, thousands of games once thought lost would be able to be playable far past when publishers stop supporting them. It would also allow the general population to experience the history of games without massive inconveniences, increasing knowledge and appreciation for this important facet of media history.

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