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By Greg Bluestein, Atlanta Journal-Constitution

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Wright Mitchell, the head of the Buckhead Heritage Society, stands in front of the Randolph-Lucas House, which is in front of a condo complex on Peachtree Road. (Jason Getz/Atlanta Journal-Constitution)

ATLANTA - Preservationists are finding it's not easy to save an imposing mansion in Buckhead: Even an offer to hand the home to anyone who will move it has gone nowhere.

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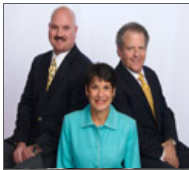
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