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Longhouse front put into storage

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Roger Waterhouse, with ArtSite Ltd., moves one of three parts of the longhouse front from Ye Olde Curiosity Shop to storage in Georgetown on Thursday. This red cedar carving, by Makah tribal member Otis Baxter, depicts a raven. The longhouse front was commissioned in 1962 and installed the following year. Ye Olde Curiosity Shop at Pier 54 is closed until next July as seawall construction moves forward. The carvings will return the waterfront after restoration. The totem poles weigh about 1,800 pounds each and the cross beam is about 2,200 pounds.