

Preserving land is a wise decision

To the Editor:

As a former Aquidneck Island resident, I strongly urge the voters of Portsmouth to approve the purchase of Glen Farm. When viewed from the prospective of the future, today's expense is a mere trifle when it benefits all those who follow us.

Historians remind us that many thought establishing Central Park

in New York City was wasteful and too expensive. 'Nuff said.

I might add that I also hope the Middletown Town Council and voters approve the purchase of Gray Craig. I wish the City of Newport had done something similar.

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Towns' preservation efforts lauded

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Efforts being made by the Portsmouth and Middletown town councils to preserve the character and integrity of two large estates indicate a sensitivity to critical community issues that transcends party lines. Both the Gray Craig Estate and Glen Farm projects, however, will require a great deal of hard work, perseverance and intelligent decision making. I strongly urge all concerned citizens to voice their support and encouragement for the positive leadership and direction being provided by our elected officials.

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