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Preserving open space crucial

To the Editor:

I was struck by the scene depicted on the front of your Local/State section on Tuesday, March 7, 1989: two "Island residents" perched on the rocks at Second Beach enjoying the view out to sea, apparently oblivious of the more stirring landscape in back of them: the unique and world-famous sweep of Hanging Rock and the surrounding terrain, now seriously threatened with mutilation by massive new development.

Ironically, on the same page was an account of the agreement to purchase Glen Farm by the town of Portsmouth, which if consummated will be a magnificent step toward the conservation of open space on Aquidneck Island. How nice it would be if Middletown followed our neighbor's example and did the same with Grey Craig!

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