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Mrs. George D. Weaver, Jr.
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Dear Eleanor:

Following your recent letter, I contacted the National Park Service and requested their comments on the resolution you submitted for the Newport "Point Association." I will be receiving a written reply from the Park Service sometime soon. However, because of my long standing interest in the field of preservation, I had a member of my staff do some additional research on this question.

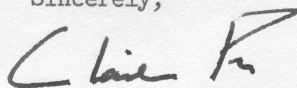
It seems that a study team for the National Park Service has already visited Rhode Island as part of a regional survey being conducted on the architectural heritage of America. I am told that various parts of Newport were included in that preliminary survey. On an informal basis, the Park Service was able to indicate that there was a very good chance that certain houses in the area might qualify as national historical landmarks.

The National Park Service has also indicated that a second study tour will be conducted in Rhode Island. They have promised to contact me prior to the field visit and at that time I will be back in touch with you. I think it would be very useful for you to talk with them when they are in Newport.

If there is anything more I can do for you in this connection, or in any other matter, please do not hesitate to let me know.

Warm regards.

Sincerely,



Claiborne Pell

We hope the 2nd field visit will be this summer. It is a fine project and I look forward to doing whatever help I can.

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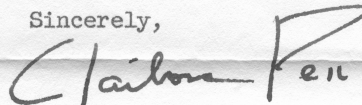
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Dear Eleanor:

I am attaching a copy of an interim reply from the National Park Service concerning the designation of the "Point" as a registered national historic landmark. Please be assured that my office is following the workings of the Park Service in this case most carefully. I will be back in touch when we have word of when the expert field study group will be in Newport.

Warm regards.

Sincerely,



Claiborne Pell

Enclosure