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To whom it may concern,

I, Phillip Hoose, 60 Watson St. Portland, write to respectfully urge you deny the permit application by Sharon Rosen and John Newton to build a new single family home at 10 Island St. (Tax Lot 431 B002).

The proposed dwelling would completely block my family's view of the ocean. When my wife and I bought our house at 60 Watson St., we were given reassurance that a house could not be built on the lot at 10 Island. To have a house in that lot, and particularly the towering structure pictured in architectural plans on file, would destroy our water view and greatly depress the value of our property.

The draft drawings of this futuristic dwelling depict a structure totally out of character with our modest coastal neighborhood.

This is not an abstract plea: our house represents much of our live savings. If this goes through we're shot.

We ask the City authorities to deny the permit. A homeowner in Portland, paying stiff property taxes to own a home in our great city, should at least be able to live with the reassurance that their nest egg and the enjoyment of our magnificent coastal waters, will not be swept away overnight.

Thank you,

Phillip Hoose