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A Reminder

Letters ^{to} the Editor

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To The Commercial Appeal:

The article "In Defense of Overton Park," by Arlo Smith was indeed inspiring. The preservation of Overton Park should become a goal of all Memphians.

It is not necessary to repeat the reasons for not constructing the expressway through the park, such as increased air pollution, destruction of precious woodlands, etc. It may be necessary to remind the public that once the park is gone, it cannot be replaced for our children to enjoy.

Everyone must look at all of the facts and realize that this situation could be the beginning of the end concerning our regard to nature and the right of all human beings to enjoy trees, fresh air and relief from city congestion.

I urge the public to think deeply on these matters and to take a stand against the Overton Park expressway.

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