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The City of New York Community Board 8 Manhattan

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Honorable Sarah Carroll, Chair NYC Landmarks Preservation Commission Municipal Building One Center Street, 9th Floor New York, New York 10007

**<u>RE: 6 East 74th Street (Upper East Side Historic District)</u> –** *Thomas Juul-Hansen* **– An Eclectic (originally Italianate) style building designed by an unknown architect and constructed in 1871, with alterations in 1898, 1928, and 1952. Application is for alterations to the existing, non-historic rear yard additions, the expansion of an existing penthouse addition 4'8'' at the rear, and new elevator/stair bulkheads and mechanical equipment at the roof.** 

Dear Chair Carroll,

At the Full Board meeting of Community Board 8 Manhattan held on March 19, 2025, the Board approved the following resolution by a vote of 35 in favor, 2 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 0 not voting for cause.

WHEREAS 6 East 74th Street is an eclectic (originally Italianate) house designed by an unknown architect and constructed in 1871, with alterations in 1898, 1928, and 1952; and

**WHEREAS** there have been generations of change over the years; the proposed work at 6 East 74th Street fits into the building's history of change; and

**WHEREAS** all proposed work at 6 East 74th Street will take place within the existing building; the work at the roof will be minimally visible; and

**WHEREAS** at the front or north-facing elevation, the applicant proposes a new stair bulkhead and a new louvered metal screen with a gray finish: all new wood windows will be installed in the existing openings; the new stair bulkhead is not visible at the front elevation; and

WHEREAS at the rear or south-facing elevation, the applicant proposes

a) A new stair bulkhead extending out at 4' at the top of the building to be clad in copper; the copper will patinate over time;

b) A new elevator bulkhead extending out at 4' at the top of the building to be clad in copper; the copper will patinate over time;

c) New plaster coping to be painted to match the new extension;

d) At the 5th floor, the rear wall will be bumped out by 5'; a new framed wall finished in stucco to match the existing facade will enclose the extension; the new plane of the bumped out 5th floor will be minimally visible;

e) The 4th floor windows will reman unchanged; the openings at the 2nd & 3rd floors will be expanded and slightly relocated;

f) A new black painted metal railing at the existing 3rd floor terrace;

g) New black aluminum double hung windows in existing openings;

h) New black aluminum double-hung windows in modified openings;

i) A new black painted metal railing at the new 2nd floor terrace;

j) A new black aluminum and glass door to open to the new 2nd floor terrace;

k) New framed wall to replace the existing greenhouse — now above the 1st floor on an existing extension — will be finished in stucco to match existing facade; the roof of the now enclosed space will become a new terrace at the 2nd floor; and

**WHEREAS** the overall height of 6 East 74th Street does not change; both the elevator bulkhead and the stair bulkhead are 4'5" over the proposed new cornice; and

WHEREAS the proposed alterations are small and restrained and scarcely visible;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this application is APPROVED AS PRESENTED.

Please advise us of any action taken on this matter.

Sincerely,

Valerie S. Mason

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Anthony Cohn and David Helpern

Anthony Cohn and David Helpern Co-Chairs, Landmarks Committee

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