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The City of New York Manhattan Community Board 8

December 22, 2014

Hon. Meenakshi Srinivasan, Chair NYC Landmarks Preservation Commission Municipal Building One Centre Street, 9th Floor New York, NY 10007

Re: 1006 Madison Avenue (between 77th and 78th Streets)-Upper East Side Historic District

Dear Chair Srinivasan:

At the Full Board meeting on Wednesday, December 17, 2014, the board adopted the following resolution regarding **1006 Madison Avenue** (between 77th and 78th Streets)-Upper East Side Historic District-*John Field, Architect*-French Second Empire style, five story residence designed by G.E. Knowlden and completed in 1870. Application is for a storefront replacement on the first floor.

WHEREAS no portion of the current storefront is original to the building;

WHEREAS the street level of the storefront dates from 1927 and the upper portion of the storefront dates from around 1900:

WHEREAS the design of the street level portion of the storefront has a unique character and great charm due to the proportions, the curved glass, and the recessed doors;

WHEREAS the proposed storefront retains all elements of the upper portion of the existing storefront including the fluted spandrel but introduces a new storefront at the street level that is in line with the storefront above;

WHEREAS the new entry level portion of the storefront replicates the symmetry above with glass doors on either side of a large central window;

WHEREAS the details of the pilasters at each edge of the existing upper storefront will be replicated in the new street level storefront and the mullions will also be similar to the mullions above;

WHEREAS the existing deeply recessed door to the apartment above will be visible through the new, northerly glass door;

WHEREAS the proposed overall storefront design may be closer in appearance to the storefront that was added to the building around 1900 but takes away the distinctiveness of the current street level design dating from 1927;

THEREFORE be it resolved that this application is **disapproved**.

This recommendation was approved by a vote of 28 in favor, 7 opposed, 4 abstentions, and 0 not voting for cause.

Sincerely,

Nicholas Viest Chair David Helpern and Jane Parshall Co-Chairs, Landmarks Committee cc: Honorable Bill de Blasio, Mayor of the City of New York
Honorable Gale Brewer, Manhattan Borough President
Honorable Liz Krueger, NYS Senator, 26th Senatorial District
Honorable Dan Quart, NYS Assembly Member, 73rd Assembly District
Honorable Ben Kallos, NYC Council Member, 5th Council District
Honorable Daniel Garodnick, NYC Council Member, 4th Council District