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The City of New York Manhattan Community Board 8

September 24, 2013

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

Re: 125 East 73rd Street (between Park and Lexington Avenues) - Upper East Side Historic District

Dear Chair Tierney:

At the Full Board meeting on Wednesday, September 18, 2013, the board adopted the following resolution regarding 125 East 73rd Street (between Park and Lexington Avenues) - Upper East Side Historic District - Janko Rasic Architect - A neo-Federal style dwelling designed by Charles Brendon and constructed in 1909-1910. Application is to replace windows.

WHEREAS, this application is to replace the front windows located on the second, third, and fourth floors.

WHEREAS, photographs taken in or around 1910 indicate that the original windows on the second floor were casement windows which were later replaced with double hung windows, matching those on the third and fourth floors.

WHEREAS, the applicant has considered restoring the windows to their original casement windows but, as this is this is a diplomatic residence, bullet resistant glass is required and, according to the applicant, such glass would not work well with the original casement configuration due the thickness of the glass and the manner in which light interacts with such glass, resulting in the windows on the second floor appearing dissimilar in appearance from those on the third and fourth floors.

WHEREAS, the proposed double hung windows are consistent with what is currently at the location and not inconsistent with the design and character of the building.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the application is approved.

This recommendation was approved by a vote of 44 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.

Sincerely,

Nicholas Viest

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Chair

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David Helpern and David Liston

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