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The City of New York Manhattan Community Board 8

July 25, 2012

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

Re: 150 East 72nd Street (corner of Lexington Avenue) - Upper East Side Historic District Extension

Dear Chair Tierney:

At the Full Board meeting on Wednesday, July 18, 2012, the board adopted the following resolution regarding **150 East 72nd Street (corner of Lexington Avenue) - Upper East Side Historic District Extension** - *Dan Shannon, Architect* - A Renaissance Revival style apartment building designed by Schwartz & Gross and built in 1913-14. Application is to replace the existing lobby doors and side lights, realign stairs. and add an areaway gate and side door canopy.

WHEREAS the applicant proposes to replace the existing lobby doors and side lights, realign the front stairs, and add an areaway gate and a canopy over a side door.

WHEREAS the Committee wishes to consider this application in two parts: 1) the side door canopy and 2) the remaining elements of the application.

PART 1: The side door canopy

WHEREAS the elegance and simplicity of the Renaissance Revival style of the building and its importance as an anchor at the southeast corner of Lexington Avenue and 72nd Street within the Upper East Side Historic District Extension would be compromised by the insertion of a side door canopy at the ground level on the north elevation.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the portion of the application related to the side door canopy is **disapproved** as presented.

Part 1 of this application was approved by a vote of 27 in favor, 13 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 1 not voting for cause.

PART 2: Remaining elements of the application

WHEREAS the proposed lobby doors and side lights, the realignment of the stairs, and the areaway gate are consistent with the character of the Historic District and the original design of the building. **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the proposal to replace the existing lobby doors and side lights, realign the front stairs, and add an areaway gate is **approved** as presented.

This recommendation was approved by a vote of 41 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 1 not voting for cause.

Sincerely,

Nicholas Viest Chair

David Helpern and David Liston Co-Chairs, Landmarks Committee

Hon. Michael Bloomberg, Mayor of the City of New York cc:

Hon. Scott M. Stringer, Manhattan Borough President Hon. Liz Krueger, NYS Senate Member Hon. Dan Quart, NYS Assembly Member Hon. Micah Kellner, NYS Assembly Member Hon. Daniel Garodnick, NYC Council Member Hon. Jessica Lappin, NYC Council Member