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The City of New York Manhattan Community Board 8

April 17, 2015

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

Re: 16 East 84th Street (Fifth/Madison)-Metropolitan Museum Historic District

Dear Chair Srinivasan:

At the Full Board meeting on Wednesday, April 15, 2015, the board adopted the following resolution regarding 16 East 84th Street (Fifth/Madison)-Metropolitan Museum Historic District- Valarie Campbell, Esq.-A Neo-Georgian brick town house designed by Clinton & Russell and constructed in 1899-1900. Application is to legalize third floor windows installed without permits prior to 1992.

WHEREAS the window openings on the third floor (and the window openings above) which aligned with the second floor windows were changed in 1948 when the building was converted to apartments;

WHEREAS the building was designated as part of the Metropolitan Museum Historic District in 1979;

WHEREAS the windows were changed from the windows in place at the date of designation but prior to the purchase of the third floor apartment by the current owner;

WHEREAS the windows in the large opening on the third floor are currently two over two casement windows;

WHEREAS the window in the small opening on the third floor is currently a six over six double hung window;

WHEREAS there is no way to mandate that the façade be returned to the original design;

WHEREAS wood windows are appropriate for the period of the building;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the third floor windows in the front façade be legalized.

This recommendation was approved by a vote of 23 in favor, 3 opposed, 8 abstentions, and 1 not voting for cause.

Sincerely,

Ennes & Clynes

James G. Clynes

Chairman

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