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The City of New York Manhattan Community Board 8

May 28, 2013

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

Re: 173 East 75th Street (between Lexington and Third Avenues) - Upper East Side Historic District Extension

Dear Chair Tierney:

At the Full Board meeting on Wednesday, May 22, 2013, the board adopted the following resolution regarding **173 East 75th Street (between Lexington and Third Avenues) - Upper East Side Historic District Extension** – *Len Weisenthal, Architect* - A Renaissance Revival style school building designed by Robert J. Reiley and built in 1925-26. Application is install an awning.

WHEREAS 173 East 75th Street is a Renaissance Revival style school building designed by Robert J. Reiley and built in 1925-26 and presently occupied by the St. Jean Baptiste High School;
WHEREAS the application is to install an awning over one of two front doors, with the name of the school written on the front and sides of the awning;
WHEREAS the proposed color of the awning will be too stark in contrast against the limestone base of the building and the lettering on the awning is not appropriate to the architecture of the building or the character of the building;
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this application is disapproved.

This recommendation failed with a vote of 13 in favor, 18 opposed, and 0 abstentions. A substitute motion in support of the application was approved with a vote of 18 in favor, 14 opposed and 0 abstentions. Thus, Community Board 8 approved the application as presented.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Nicholas Viest.

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Handwritten signatures of David Helpern and David Liston.

David Helpern and David Liston
Co-Chairs, Landmarks Committee

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