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The City of New York Manhattan Community Board 8

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

Re: 20 East 82nd Street (between Fifth and Madison Avenues) –Upper East Side Historic District

Dear Chair Tierney:

At the Full Board meeting on Wednesday, March 17, 2010, the board adopted the following resolution regarding 20 East 82nd Streets (between Fifth and Madison Avenues.) – Upper East Side Historic District – *Thomas Morbitzer*, *Architect* – Application to repair existing steps, fence, gate and add a new gate at steps.

- (a) **WHEREAS** 20 East 82nd Street is a Beaux-Arts style townhouse, designed by Richard W. Buckley, built in 1901, and is the center building in a trio of houses built at approximately the same time with similarities in design and style.
- (b) **WHEREAS** the applicant proposes to make as-of-right repairs to the existing front steps, newels, and fence, and the applicant also wishes to add a new gate at the front steps.
- (c) **WHEREAS** said gate would be made of wrought iron, would sit on the first step leading up to the front door so as to not impede movement of the gate along the sidewalk, and the height of the gate itself is 6'6", 7' when measured from the step to the top of the gate where the finials begin, and 7'4" from the step to the top of the finials.
- (d) **WHEREAS** the arc of the proposed gate would follow the arc of the door of the house; the proposed gate presents a handsome design consistent with the character of the building; and the details of the proposed gate match details of the existing fence on either side of the proposed gate.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this application be approved as presented.

This resolution was approved by a vote of 36 in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstentions

Sincerely,

Jacqueline Ludorf Chair Jane Parshall 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. Jonathan Bing, NYS Assembly Member

Hon. Micah Kellner, NYS Assembly Member

Hon. Daniel Garodnick, NYC Council Member

Hon. Jessica Lappin, NYC Council Member Thomas Morbitzer, Architect