James G. Clynes Chairman

Latha Thompson District Manager



505 Park Avenue Suite 620 New York, N.Y. 10022 (212) 758-4340 (212) 758-4616 (Fax) info@cb8m.com - E-Mail www.cb8m.com - Website

The City of New York Manhattan Community Board 8

December 18, 2015

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

Re: 26 East 80th Street (just west of Madison Avenue on80th Street) - Metropolitan Museum Historic District

Dear Chair Srinivasan:

At the Full Board meeting on Wednesday, December 6, 2015, the board adopted the following resolution regarding 26 East 80th Street (just west of Madison Avenue on80th Street) – Metropolitan Museum Historic District—Joseph S. Tarella, Architect. Application is to modify an existing stair bulkhead on the roof.

WHEREAS 26 East 80th Street is a neo-Renaissance brownstone designed by Charles Graham & Son and constructed in 1887-88.

WHEREAS the applicant proposes to renovate 26 East 80th Street, a brownstone house just one in from the corner of 80th Street and Madison Avenue; all work on the house has been approved at staff level at the Landmarks Preservation Commission except for work at the stair bulkhead.

WHEREAS at the roof the applicant proposes to square off the existing angled bulkhead because of a change in the orientation of the existing staircase.

WHEREAS the existing stair bulkhead will be removed; the proposed bulkhead will be 3 feet longer to accommodate the change in orientation of the stair; the new bulkhead will be 9' x 20' [the existing bulkhead is 9' x 17']. The height will remain exactly the same at 9'.

WHEREAS the existing bulkhead now presents as black tar paper; the new bulkhead will be covered in a stucco material and painted in a neutral gray color.

WHEREAS because the slope of the existing stair bulkhead is being removed and because 3' are being added to the length of the bulkhead, the proposed bulkhead will be visible from the public way as one moves east toward Park Avenue. [The applicant is creating a rectangle from an existing triangular shape.] WHEREAS the proposed new bulkhead is minimally visible from the public way.

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

This recommendation was approved by a vote of 37 in favor, 5 opposed, 1 abstention, and 0 not voting for cause.

Sincerely,

James G. Clynes

Chairman

cc:

David Helpern + Jony Parshall
Co-Chairs, Landmarks Committee

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