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The City of New York Manhattan Community Board 8

November 20, 2015

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

Re: 4 East 88th Street (between 5th and Madison Avenues) - Carnegie Hill Historic District

Dear Chair Srinivasan:

At the Full Board meeting on Wednesday, November 18, 2015, the board adopted the following resolution regarding 4 East 88th Street (between 5th and Madison Avenues) – Carnegie Hill Historic District—Christina Redman, Architect. Application is for canopy installation.

WHEREAS 4 East 88th Street is a neo-Georgian style apartment building designed by Electus Litchfiled & Rogers and constructed in 1921-22.

WHEREAS the applicant proposes to replace the existing canopy with a new canopy of the same length, but with a slightly shallower width and with a shallow arched top with a ceiling on the underside.

WHEREAS the canopy will be installed right above the keystone; the shallower width will create more visibility for the pilasters [a rectangular column that projects from a wall] that frame the entrance.

WHEREAS the canopy will be compliant with the 8' height requirement and will extend out 1'6" from curb.

WHEREAS the canvas color of the canopy will remain essentially the same as the color of the existing canopy – a slate gray.

WHEREAS Landmarks Preservation Commission approval is required for the proposed new awning because at the time of the historic district designation, there was an existing awning. That existing awning was later replaced without a permit; thus, the building lost the grand-fathered status of being allowed an awning without a Certificate of Appropriateness.

WHEREAS the proposed new awning is contextual and appropriate within the historic district.

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

This recommendation was approved by a vote of 43 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 1 not voting for cause.

Sincerely,

James G. Clynes

Chairman

cc:

David Helpern and Jane Parshall Co-Chairs, Landmarks Committee

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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