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The City of New York Manhattan Community Board 8

February 23, 2015

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

Re: 5 East 88th Street (Fifth and Madison)-Expanded Carnegie Hill Historic District

Dear Chair Srinivasan:

At the Full Board meeting on Wednesday, February 18, 2015, the board adopted the following resolution regarding 5 East 88th Street (Fifth and Madison)-Expanded Carnegie Hill Historic District-Abir Ahmad, Architect- Beaux-Arts style townhouse designed by Turner and Kilian and completed in 1902-03. Application is to repair and replace three exterior windows as well as an exterior railing on a third floor unit.

WHEREAS 5 East 88th Street is a Beaux-Arts style townhouse designed by Turner and Kilian and completed in 1902-03.

WHEREAS 5 East 88th Street is adjacent to the Guggenheim Museum.

WHEREAS above the ground level, there is a bowed, three-story midsection.

WHEREAS at the 3rd floor the windows are in poor condition; the applicant proposes to replace them with in-kind custom mahogany windows as well as restore the exiting exterior railing.

WHEREAS sometime during the 1940s, stained glass windows, visible in tax photos, were installed at the 3rd floor.

WHEREAS the stained glass windows were subsequently replaced with clear glazing.

WHEREAS although the stained glass windows were not part of the original historic fabric at 5 East 88th Street, the Landmarks Preservation Commission wanted to include this information as part of the record for this application.

WHEREAS the application to replace the windows and restore the railing 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 36 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 0 not voting for cause.

Sincerely,

ames G. Clynes

Chairman

cc:

David Helpern and Jane 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