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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: 711 Madison Avenue (between 63rd and 64th Streets) – Upper East Side Historic

Dear Chair Tierney:

At the Land Use/Full Board meeting on Wednesday, June 15, 2011, the board adopted the following resolutions regarding 711 Madison Avenue (between 63rd and 64th Streets) – Upper East Side Historic District – *Mr*. *Steven Jacobson, Architect.* Application is to remove the existing storefront and relocate the entry to the existing apartment units.

WHEREAS, 711 Madison Avenue is a neo-Grec style residence building, designed by Charles Baxter and constructed in 1877.

WHEREAS, the applicant proposes to rework the East 63rd Street façade.

WHEREAS, the applicant proposes to eliminate the existing storefront along 63rd St. and to relocate the existing entry to the apartment units to the east of the current location.

WHEREAS, the reason for the redesign is to increase the size of the retail store that is currently entered along Madison Avenue.

WHEREAS, the applicant proposes to use or replicate the existing entry design features as well as to provide a historically sensitive treatment of the rest of the façade.

WHEREAS, the new entry will be about 20' to the east of the existing entry.

WHEREAS, there will also be changes to the windows on the 63rd St. elevation: three windows will be added (one window where there was formerly the entry door and two windows where there was formerly the glass window for the retail space).

WHEREAS, the frontage to be affected along E. 63rd St. is approximately 35' in length.

WHEREAS, the new window composition and the relocation of the entry to the apartments create a more residential feel along the 63^{rd} St. elevation.

WHEREAS, the original brownstone will be used where possible for the new entry door; the brick will match the original brick and the new windows will match the existing wooden windows.

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

This recommendation was approved by a vote of 40 in favor, 2 opposed and 2 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