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## The City of New York Manhattan Community Board 8

March 18, 2010

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

Re: 785 Park Avenue (Corner of Park Avenue and East 73<sup>rd</sup> Street) – 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 785 Park Avenue (Corner of Park Avenue and East 73<sup>rd</sup> Street) – Upper East Side Historic District – *Josh Brandfonbrener*, *Architect* – Application is to install a ramp in the rear service yard of the building.

- (a) **WHEREAS** 783-789 Park Avenue is a modern style apartment building designed by George Pelham, Jr. and constructed in 1930.
- (b) WHEREAS the service yard is 11 feet below grade.
- (c) WHEREAS all deliveries to and from the service yard are hand carried up or down a stair.
- (d) **WHEREAS** the applicant proposes relocating the stair to the west of the existing gate of the service yard and installing a handicapped accessible ramp in compliance with Local Law 58 ADA.
- (e) WHEREAS the exterior gate and fence to the service yard will not be changed.
- (f) **WHEREAS** the new stair and handicapped accessible ramp will not be visible from the street and will be constructed of galvanized steel which is safer in rain and snow.

**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

Josh Brandfonbrener, Architect