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The City of New York Manhattan Community Board 8

February 12, 2010

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

Re: 8 East 75th Street (between 5th and Madison Avenues) -Upper East Side Historic District

Dear Chair Tierney:

At the Land Use/Full Board meeting on Wednesday, February 17, 2010, the board adopted the following resolution regarding 8 East 75th Street (between 5th and Madison Avenues) - Upper East Side Historic District - *Peter Pennoyer, Architect* – Application is to restore the lower portion of 8 East 75th Street to its historic state and to add a layer of detail to better organize the original and non-original elements.

WHEREAS 8 East 75th Street is a Beaux-Arts style residence constructed in 1872.

WHEREAS the original architect is unknown.

WHEREAS the house originally had a mansard roof and two dormers; these were removed and a brick box-like penthouse was added.

WHEREAS at the base or ground level, the applicant proposes a restoration which will include bringing the railings and door back to what they were originally and resetting the granite base of the house.

WHEREAS work to the middle of the building will be minimal and include repointing work and waterproofing as well as some repairs to the existing balustrade.

WHEREAS at the fifth floor, the applicant proposes to restore some of the original elements to bring the top of the house back into harmony with the lower floors.

WHEREAS the resolution at the top or 5th floor presents a good solution to the loss of the mansard roof and the dormers and will include adding back a stone cornice with a stone balustrade, a string course, and curved console brackets and additional Beaux-Arts detailing.

WHEREAS the design and materials are appropriate to the architecture of the building.

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

This resolution was approved by a vote of 41 in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstentions

Sincerely,

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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
Peter Pennoyer, Architect