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The City of New York Manhattan Community Board 8

December 20, 2013

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

Re: 817-819 Madison Avenue (68th/69th Streets) – Upper East Side Historic District

Dear Chair Tierney:

At the Full Board meeting on Wednesday, November 20, 2013, the board adopted the following resolution regarding 817-819 Madison Avenue (68th/69th Streets) – Upper East Side Historic District – *Ted Bodnar*, *Architect* - A Beaux-Arts style residence designed by Carrere & Hastings in 1892, with alterations made in 1922 by Carrere & Hastings. Application is to add a two story rear yard extension.

Whereas the rear yard extension is for one story that is two stories in height at 19'-0";

Whereas the rear yard extension fills in a courtyard between 817-819 Madison Avenue and 35 East 68th Street;

Whereas 817-819 Madison Avenue and 35 East 68th Street were both designed by Carrere & Hastings;

Whereas the courtyard is part of the overall composition of the two buildings;

Whereas the proposed rear yard extension covers portions of the facades of both buildings;

Whereas the proposed rear yard extension does not preserve the courtyard;

Whereas the proposed rear extension is not in the spirit of the Special Madison Avenue District;

Therefore be it resolved that this application be disapproved as presented.

This recommendation was approved by a vote of 39 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 0 not voting for cause.

Sincerely,

Nicholas Viest

Chair

David Helpern 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. Dan Quart, NYS Assembly Member

Hon. Micah Kellner, NYS Assembly Member

Hon. Daniel Garodnick, NYC Council Member

Hon. Jessica Lappin, NYC Council Member