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The City of New York Manhattan Community Board 8

January 23, 2012

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

Re: 825 Fifth Avenue, Apt. 17A and 17B (between 63rd and 64th Streets) -- Upper East Side Historic District

Dear Chair Tierney:

At the Full Board meeting on Wednesday, January 18, 2012, the board adopted the following resolution regarding **825 Fifth Avenue, Apt. 17A and 17B (between 63rd and 64th Streets) -- Upper East Side Historic District** – *Ike Kilgerman Barkley Architects, P. C.*. Application is to replace the windows.

WHEREAS, 825 Fifth Avenue is a neo-Classical style apartment building designed by J. E. R. Carpenter and constructed in 1926.

WHEREAS, Fifth Avenue is a 23-story building; approximately half of the windows have divided lights and the other half are large panes of glass.

WHEREAS, the 17th floor apartment contains a mix of windows, some with divided lights and some with clear glazing.

WHEREAS, the applicant proposes that all the windows of the 17th floor apartment have clear glazing and no mullions so that all the windows are the same.

WHEREAS, 6 over 6 windows were original to the building – over time many of these divided light windows were replaced with single pane glazed glass windows.

WHEREAS, the original fenestration adds to the architecture of this very prominent J. E. R. Carpenter building.

WHEREAS, the proposed single pane glazed glass windows are inappropriate within the historic district and inappropriate for a J. E. R. Carpenter apartment building.

WHEREAS, the Committee recommends that the building implement a Master Plan for the windows that would replicate the original fenestration.

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

This recommendation was approved by a vote of 42 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 1 not voting for cause.

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. Dan Quart, NYS Assembly Member
Hon. Micah Kellner, NYS Assembly Member
Hon. Daniel Garodnick, NYC Council Member
Hon. Jessica Lappin, NYC Council Member