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The City of New York Manhattan Community Board 8

December 19, 2011

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

Re: 829 Park Avenue (SE corner 76th St.) – Upper East Side Historic District Extension

Dear Chair Tierney:

At the Full Board meeting on Wednesday, September 21, 2011, the board adopted the following resolution regarding **829 Park Avenue (SE corner 76th St.) – Upper East Side Historic District Extension – Sandra Levine presenting for Mary Dierickx**. Application is to legalize alterations to the concrete sidewalk at the entryway in non-compliance with a “Permit for Minor Work” (09-4687)

WHEREAS, 829 Park Avenue is a neo-Classical style apartment building designed by Pickering & Walker and constructed in 1910-11.

WHEREAS, the applicant changed the incising of the lines on the sidewalk at the entrance to the building without permission from the Landmarks Preservation Commission.

WHEREAS, the changed incising to the pattern of the concrete at the entrance presents as a 45 degree angle to the curb so that when one looks down at the sidewalk the incising forms a diamond shape rather than the large square shape that is associated with sidewalk design in the city.

WHEREAS, the diamond-shaped pattern is just at the entrance to the building.

WHEREAS, the applicant presented pictures of other Upper East Side buildings that use a similar pattern to demarcate their entrances.

WHEREAS, the pattern does not distract from the character of the historic district and is unobtrusive.

WHEREAS, no information was available on what the sidewalk looked like when 892 Park Ave. was constructed; thus, no information was available on whether there was anything original at the entrance at that time that needed to be preserved.

WHEREAS, the committee very much regrets that the current work was carried out without a permit from the Landmarks Preservation Commission.

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

This recommendation was approved by a vote of 37 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. Dan Quart, NYS Assembly Member
Hon. Micah Kellner, NYS Assembly Member
Hon. Daniel Garodnick, NYC Council Member
Hon. Jessica Lappin, NYC Council Member