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The City of New York Manhattan Community Board 8

April 17, 2014

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

Re: 910 Fifth Avenue-(East 72nd Street)-Upper East Side Historic District

Dear Chair Tierney:

At the Full Board meeting on Wednesday, April 16, 2014, the board adopted the following resolution regarding 910 Fifth Avenue-(East 72nd Street)-Upper East Side Historic District-Stewart Ackerman, Project Manager –A Neo- Italian Renaissance style building designed by Fred F. French and built in 1919. Application to amend existing master plan to allow the installation of casement pivot windows.

Whereas no photos or elevations of the building were provided;

Whereas the applicant stated that the original facades and windows had been replaced with white brick and double hung windows;

Whereas there is a master plan for Skyline tilt and turn windows that was approved By the Landmarks Preservation Commission in 1996;

Whereas the use of Panorama pivot windows has been approved at staff level in lieu of the Skyline windows; Whereas the Landmarks Preservation Commission will not approve the Panorama windows at staff level in the future;

Whereas the Panorama pivot windows are being proposed as an alternate to the Skyline tilt and turn windows so that apartment owners have a choice of window type from an operational perspective;

Whereas the Panorama windows have a narrower frame than the Skyline windows;

Whereas the Panorama windows are installed with aluminum trim to equalize the apparent thickness of the frames and to align the sightlines from Panorama windows with sightlines from Skyline windows;

Whereas master plans for windows should not have two options for window types;

Therefore be it resolved that this application is approved.

This recommendation was approved by a vote of 20 in favor, 15 opposed, 1 abstention, and 0 not voting for cause.

Sincerely,

Nicholas Viest

Chair

David Helpern and Jane Parshall Co-Chairs, Landmarks Committee

cc: Honorable Bill de Blasio, Mayor of the City of New York

Honorable Gale Brewer, Manhattan Borough President

Honorable Liz Krueger, NYS Senator, 26th Senatorial District

Honorable Micah Kellner, NYS Assembly Member, 65th Assembly District

Honorable Dan Quart, NYS Assembly Member, 73rd Assembly District Honorable Ben Kallos, NYC Council Member, 5th Council District Honorable Daniel Garodnick, NYC Council Member, 4th Council District