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## The City of New York Manhattan Community Board 8

October 20, 2014

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

Re: 990 Fifth Avenue (at East 80th Street)-Metropolitan Museum Historic District

Dear Chair Tierney:

At the Full Board meeting on Wednesday, October 15, 2014, the board adopted the following resolution regarding **990 Fifth Avenue** (at East 80<sup>th</sup> Street)-Metropolitan Museum Historic District – Christopher Kitterman Architect – An apartment building designed in the neo-classical style by Rosario Candela and constructed in 1926-1927. Proposed work is to alter window openings and replace windows at the 10th and 11th floors at the north secondary façade, which is visible over the roof of the adjacent five-story Beaux Arts style residence to the north at 991 Fifth Avenue, (now HQ of American Irish Historical Society).

**WHEREAS** the existing windows have a random pattern:

**WHEREAS** the existing masonry openings include windows with muntins; windows without muntins; and glass block;

WHEREAS the proposed new windows, which are also random, create a pleasing composition:

WHEREAS the proposed new windows are without muntins but are similar to the windows above, only one of which has muntins;

WHEREAS the proposed windows will be the same color as the other windows on the façade;

WHEREAS the brick required for closing up existing openings will be buff in color to match the existing brick;

WHEREAS this is a secondary façade with no organizing arrangement for the windows;

WHEREAS the proposed design of the new windows is contextual within the façade of the building;

**THEREFORE** be it resolved that this application is approved as presented.

This recommendation was approved by a vote of 34 in favor, 4 opposed,0 abstentions, 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, 76<sup>th</sup> Assembly District

Honorable Dan Quart, NYS Assembly Member, 73<sup>rd</sup> Assembly District Honorable Ben Kallos, NYC Council Member, 5<sup>th</sup> Council District

Honorable Daniel Garodnick, NYC Council Member, 4th Council District