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**The City of New York
Manhattan Community Board 8**

April 23, 2018

Hon. Meenakshi Srinivasan, Chair
NYC Landmarks Preservation Commission
Municipal Building
One Center Street, 9th Floor
New York, NY, 10007

RE: 923 Fifth Avenue #20 B (18th Floor), Apartment 20B: (between 73rd and 74th Streets) – Upper East Side Historic District. Cicognani Kalla, architect. Application is for window alterations.

Dear Chair Srinivasan:

At the Community Board 8 Manhattan Full Board meeting held on April 18, 2018, the Board unanimously **disapproved** the following resolution with a vote 36 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 0 not voting for cause.

WHEREAS Apartment 20B is situated in a modernist, light colored brick building with punched in windows; and,

WHEREAS Apartment 20B has windows on the north, east, south and west facades; and,

WHEREAS the intent is to replace all the existing tilt and turn windows with casement windows with the same pattern of frames and mullions; and,

WHEREAS the fixed and operable windows are large single panes without subdivisions; and,

WHEREAS there are masonry openings of different sizes that have single windows, side by side windows, and pairs of windows that frame picture windows; and,

WHEREAS the application is to create a large masonry opening on the east façade that will eliminate two individual windows to create a pair of windows that frame a picture window; and,

WHEREAS the two windows framing the picture window will remain in line with the individual windows below; and,

WHEREAS there is one masonry opening with a pair of windows framing a picture window to the south of the proposed new masonry opening under which the grille for the air conditioning unit will be moved from under the north window to the center of the picture window; and,

WHEREAS the existing grille under the north window that is proposed to be part of the new picture window with casements either side will be moved under the center of the proposed picture window; and,

WHEREAS the character of this building derives from the windows being line with the windows below; and,

WHEREAS the proposed masonry opening to create a pair of windows with a central picture window interrupts the pattern of window openings in relation to the two individual windows below;

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

Please advise this office of any action taken regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

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Chair

David Helpen + Jane Parshall ^(B) ^(C)
David Helpen and Jane Parshall
Co-Chairs, Landmarks Committee

cc: Honorable Bill de Blasio, Mayor of the City of New York
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Honorable Liz Krueger, NYS Senator, 26th Senatorial District
Honorable Dan Quart, NYS Assembly Member, 73rd Assembly District
Honorable Rebecca Seawright, NYS Assembly Member 76th Assembly District
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