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

June 20, 2019

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

RE: 8 East 93rd Street (between Madison and 5th Avenues) – Expanded Carnegie Hill Historic District *Lichten Architects*. Application for a reconfiguration of the existing front yard and lowering the sill heights of three existing windows.

Dear Chair Carroll:

At the Full Board meeting of Community Board 8 Manhattan held on June 19, 2019, the board voted to **approve** the application in accordance with the following resolution by a vote of 39 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 0 not voting for cause:

WHEREAS 8 East 93rd Street is a five-story townhouse with a brown stucco façade;
WHEREAS the existing masonry and stucco wall separating the front yard and the sidewalk will be demolished;
WHEREAS the wall will be replaced with a new, black, wrought iron railing set on a 9” high curb with the top of the railing set at 3’-6” above the sidewalk;
WHEREAS new, black painted wood planters, 15’ high and 11 ½” deep will be set on the curb behind the new railing;
WHEREAS the fence and planters will be similar to that at 12 East 93rd Street;
WHEREAS the parlor floor windows had been shortened about 18 inches in a prior renovation;
WHEREAS the existing parlor floor windows that are set in the shortened, arched openings will be replaced with new windows in a restored arched opening that will replicate the height of the original windows;
WHEREAS the first floor and the parlor floor are separated on the façade by a water table – or string course;
WHEREAS the new windows will sit on sills just above the water table to maintain the continuity of the water table;

WHEREAS the new windows will have divided lights;
WHEREAS the new windows will have a similar relationship to the water table as the windows in other townhouses along the street have in their facades;
WHEREAS the new iron window guard and service guard will match the design at 10 East 93rd Street;
WHEREAS the new main entrance door will be a new raised panel wood door painted black;
WHEREAS the glass transom above the new entrance door will remain;
WHEREAS this house had been owned and renovated by F.A.O. Schwartz;
WHEREAS the “drum” light over the entry door and the existing stucco, nautical figures in a frieze just below the water table will be preserved;
WHEREAS all the stucco repairs will match the color of the existing stucco;
WHEREAS the renovations to the townhouse are contextual within the historic district;

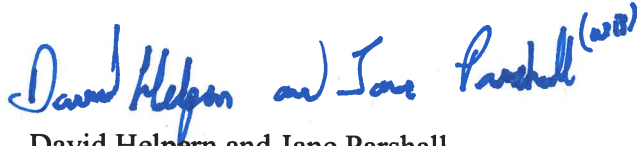
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this application is **approved** as presented.

Please advise us of any action taken on this matter.

Sincerely,

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David Helpen and Jane Parshall
Co-Chairs, Landmarks Committee

cc: Honorable Bill de Blasio, Mayor of the City of New York
Honorable Carolyn Maloney, 12th Congressional District Representative
Honorable Gale Brewer, Manhattan Borough President
Honorable Liz Krueger, NYS Senator, 28th Senatorial District
Honorable Dan Quart, NYS Assembly Member, 73rd Assembly District
Honorable Rebecca Seawright, NYS Assembly Member 76th Assembly District
Honorable Ben Kallos, NYC Council Member, 5th Council District
Honorable Keith Powers, NYC Council Member, 4th Council District