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

July 19, 2019

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

RE: 20 East 68th Street (between Madison and 5th Avenues) – Upper East Side Historic District *Lawless+Mangione Architects and Engineers LLC*. Application is to change the windows of the building from double-hung to casement.

Dear Chair Carroll:

At the Full Board meeting of Community Board 8 Manhattan held on July 17, 2019, the board voted to **disapprove** the application in accordance with the following resolution by a vote of 40 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 0 not voting for cause:

WHEREAS 20 East 68TH Street is a modernist building designed in 1955;
WHEREAS the original windows were one over one double hung windows, sometimes in combination with fixed glass picture windows;
WHEREAS the current replacement windows are aluminum double hung windows in the same configuration as the original windows;
WHEREAS the proposed windows are casement windows in combination with fixed glass picture windows;
WHEREAS the proposed casement windows replace the double hung windows in the same locations as the current replacement windows;
WHEREAS the proposed fixed glass windows replace the fixed glass windows it the same locations as the current replacement windows;
WHEREAS this modernist building's architectural character is achieved in large part through the texture of the double hung windows;
WHEREAS double hung windows are representative of the architectural language of the period;

WHEREAS the proposed casement windows change the original design of the building by eliminating the texture created by the double hung windows;

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

Please advise us of any action taken on this matter.

Sincerely,

Alida Camp (wv)

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David Helpen and Jane Parshall (wv)

David Helpern 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