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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, 9<sup>th</sup> Floor New York, NY, 10007

RE: 822 Madison Avenue (between East 68<sup>th</sup> and East 69<sup>th</sup> Streets) – Upper East Side Historic District Jacqueline Peu-Duvallon Historic Preservation Consulting, LLC. Application is for the installation of new glass at the storefront display window.

## Dear Chair Carroll:

At the Full Board meeting of Community Board 8 Manhattan held on July 17, 2019, the board voted to <u>approve</u> the application in accordance with the following resolution by a vote of 38 in favor, 2 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 0 not voting for cause:

WHEREAS 822 Madison Avenue is a neo-Grec style building designed by Charles Buck & Co. and constructed in 1818-82;

WHEREAS the applicant's proposed new window design does not meet the Madison Avenue Storefront Master Plan;

WHEREAS the applicant's proposed new window would use the existing frame [11'4 1/4" wide x approximately 7' tall], but the glass within the frame would stand out from the front of the building; WHEREAS the proposed new window, perceived as a work of art, would present as concave from the outside of the retail space and convex from within the retail space, giving the appearance of a "fish eye"; WHEREAS a "fish eye" type window is clear when one is close to it and from a distance, appears warped; WHEREAS the applicant's proposed new window, a sculptural piece of glass as opposed to a flat piece of glass, provides whimsy to the streetscape along Madison Avenue;

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

Please advise us of any action taken on this matter.

Sincerely.

Alida Camp

Chair

cc:

David Helpern and Jane Parshall
Co-Chairs, Landmarks Committee

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