



THE COMMITTEE TO PRESERVE THE UPPER WEST SIDE

**Testimony of LANDMARK WEST!
Certificate of Appropriateness Committee
Before the Landmarks Preservation Commission
22 West 96th Street
September 20, 2016**

LANDMARK WEST! is a not-for-profit community organization committed to the preservation of the architectural heritage of the Upper West Side.

The Certificate of Appropriateness Committee wishes to comment on the application to replace windows at 22 West 96th Street, a Renaissance Revival style rowhouse designed by Edward Kilpatrick and built in 1891-92 which is part of the Upper West Side/Central Park West Historic District.

The LANDMARK WEST! Certificate of Appropriateness Committee is concerned by the proposed operation of the triple glazed simulated double-hung windows. These models change the original operation of the windows. While these are innocuous when closed, we feel that when opened as casements or hoppers, this will alter the rhythm of the street wall and ultimately be disconcerting.

As per our standard, we propose maintaining original windows whenever possible, and repairing when necessary. When replacements are required, we subscribe to preservation best-practices that they should match in material, profile and function.

Thank you for your time.