



THE COMMITTEE TO PRESERVE THE UPPER WEST SIDE

**Testimony of LANDMARK WEST!
Certificate of Appropriateness Committee
Before the Landmarks Preservation Commission
235 West 75th Street
March 21, 2017**

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 construct a barrier-free access ramp at 235 West 77th Street, a Renaissance Revival style apartment building with stores designed by Clinton & Russell, and built in 1900-01, which is part of the West End – Collegiate Historic District Extension.

The LANDMARK WEST! Certificate of Appropriateness Committee supports enhanced accessibility initiatives and finds this proposal to be a comfortable marriage of location, run and materials.

We would prefer that some of the interest from the removed decorative ironwork could inspire detailing of any kind in the stanchions of the new utilitarian ramp railing, which appears to be a missed opportunity at this becoming entrance.

Thank you for your time.