



THE COMMITTEE TO PRESERVE THE UPPER WEST SIDE

**Testimony of LANDMARK WEST!
Certificate of Appropriateness Committee
Before the Landmarks Preservation Commission
252 West 71st Street
June 7, 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 construct rooftop and rear yard additions and alter fenestration at 252 West 71st Street, a Renaissance Revival style rowhouse designed by Thom & Wilson and built in 1892. It is part of the West End - Collegiate Historic District Extension.

The LANDMARK WEST! Certificate of Appropriateness Committee carefully reviewed this application and was hard pressed to find concern.

While we would prefer the exterior paint be removed, maintaining the familiar color would be in keeping with this rowhouse. We feel the other alterations to windows and door openings all respect decorative surrounds and transoms that we would hope to retain. The rooftop additions are non-visible from the public right-of-way and the dogleg is retained.

This proposal shows that rowhouses can be adapted to modern living while still respecting the landmark envelope. We are in support of this C of A.

Thank you for your consideration.