



THE COMMITTEE TO PRESERVE THE UPPER WEST SIDE

**Testimony of LANDMARK WEST!  
Certificate of Appropriateness Committee  
Before the Landmarks Preservation Commission  
310 West End Avenue  
June 20, 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 alter windows and install louvers at 310 West End Avenue, a Romanesque Revival style apartment building designed by Emery Roth and built in 1924-25, which is part of the West End – Collegiate Historic District Extension.

The LANDMARK WEST! Certificate of Appropriateness Committee reviewed this application and feels that this proposal makes perfect sense.

Maintaining the upper, multiple light sash intact, and replacing the full lower pane with a louver, which fills the frame, is an elegant solution to this need. Avoiding a projecting air conditioner maintains the volumetric read of the 75<sup>th</sup> Street façade and decorative grillwork further screens the West End Avenue elevation.

This is an instance where the applicant has balanced applicant need with an attuned sense of the landmark. This apartment could serve as a model for a building wide air conditioner plan.

Our Committee fully supports this application and recommends approval.

Thank you for your time.