



THE COMMITTEE TO PRESERVE THE UPPER WEST SIDE

**Testimony of LANDMARK WEST!
Certificate of Appropriateness Committee
Before the Landmarks Preservation Commission
771 West End Avenue
October 17, 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 replace windows and install through-window HVAC louvers at 771 West End Avenue.

The LANDMARK WEST! Certificate of Appropriateness Committee has examined the proposal for window alterations at 771 West End Avenue, and concludes that it is, at the current level of intervention, acceptable. Considering the distance from street view and the unobtrusiveness of the proposed design, that these changes will have minimal visual impact, and are reversible.

Additionally, we recognize that the material to be replaced is non-original to this landmark, having been altered in 1982. However, we would recommend that in the case of a potential future masterplan for the windows of 771, the applicant would reconsider the proposed designs (along with the rest of the windows in this landmark) in favor of a plan more aligned with the original design of the building's fenestration.

LANDMARK WEST!'s Certificate of Appropriateness Committee supports this application.

Thank you for your consideration.