



THE COMMITTEE TO PRESERVE THE UPPER WEST SIDE

**Testimony of LANDMARK WEST!
Certificate of Appropriateness Committee
Before the Landmarks Preservation Commission
410 Amsterdam Avenue
July 31, 2018**

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 410 Amsterdam Avenue, a Renaissance Revival tenement building designed by Charles See and built in 1895. The application is to replace storefront infill.

The LANDMARK WEST! Certificate of Appropriateness Committee finds the proposed changes mostly appropriate for this landmark. We appreciate that there is no proposed change in storefront color or style, and we are glad to see that the applicant is proposing the use of wood and glass for the doors and panels--a historically appropriate material choice.

Although the openable panels and the new door proposed differ from the existing (though non original) storefront set-up, we understand that the needs of storefronts change through the years, and we believe that the use of wood and glass, and the continuation of the current subdued color palette, will help keep this addition in harmony with its surroundings.

The LW! C of A committee recommends approval of this proposal.