



THE COMMITTEE TO PRESERVE THE UPPER WEST SIDE

**Testimony of LANDMARK WEST!
Certificate of Appropriateness Committee
Before the Landmarks Preservation Commission
140 Riverside Drive
January 12, 2021**

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 140 Riverside Drive, The Normandy; an Individual Landmark. This landmark is a Moderne style apartment building with Italian Renaissance style inspired details designed by Emery Roth & Sons and built in 1938-39. The Application is to modify a masonry opening and install a window.

The Landmark West Certificate of Appropriateness Committee recognizes that even with a windows masterplan, change is to be expected.

The architects are proposing a window that matches material, function and form of the masterplan, but adding a bay. The configuration seems to match the C/C option of the greater master plan. Given that this is so high up, and on a setback level where there were pre-existing alterations to a neighboring unit that this will someday match, our committee feels this can be appropriate.

Had this been on a lower floor or in the plane of the primary street façade, we would likely not be in such agreement.

The Landmark West Certificate of Appropriateness Committee recommends approval of this application.

Thank You.