

THE COMMITTEE TO PRESERVE THE UPPER WEST SIDE

Testimony of LANDMARK WEST! Certificate of Appropriateness Committee Before the Landmarks Preservation Commission 392 Columbus Avenue February 14, 2023

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 392 Columbus Avenue, a neo-Grec style rowhouse designed by Christian Blinn and built in 1881 from within the Upper West Side/Central Park West Historic District. The application is to replace storefront windows and install awnings, signage and lighting.

The LANDMARK WEST! Certificate of Appropriateness Committee is glad to see this landmark getting some much deserved attention and we welcome another business to the district. Possibly the most neglected retail storefront in the district and although this is not a true restoration, we believe the proposed changes offer a welcomed improvement which will benefit the retail corridor.

The LANDMARK WEST! Certificate of Appropriateness Committee hopes this inspires the owner to commit to a more comprehensive restoration in the future.

Thank you.