

West End Preservation Society Statement before the NYC Landmarks Preservation Commission regarding the CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS- Borough Of Manhattan 14-6809-Block 1232, lot 61- 514 West End Avenue - Riverside-West End HD Ext I of the Proposed Rooftop Additions October 1, 2013

Good Afternoon, Chair Tierney, Commissioners and Staff. My name is Josette Amato and I speaking on behalf of the West End Preservation Society or WEPS.

After meeting with the owner and seeing his architect's presentation of the proposed addition and expansion, West End Preservation Society believes this work would be appropriate in this historic district. It is designed to have negligible impact on the visual lines of 514 West End Avenue, as seen from the public thoroughfare.

This design does not overwhelm the building and will have no discernable impact on the cornice or roofline, as it will be significantly set back from the Avenue and placed on top of an existing rooftop structure. The additions will not affect neighboring buildings nor the character of the district extension.

We believe this proposal has met the criteria set forth by this Commission for this rooftop design. Thank you for the opportunity to be heard on this matter.