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Duke Ellington Boulevard Neighborhood Association

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Honorable Robert B. Tierney, Chair
New York City Landmarks Preservation Commission
1 Centre Street 9th Floor
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Dear Mr. Tierney:

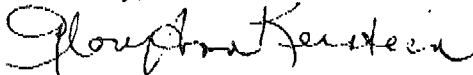
The Duke Ellington Boulevard Neighborhood Association strongly endorses the landmarking of the Manhattan Avenue Historic District.

Our Manhattan Valley community has long admired the elegance of its cousin streets along the Upper West Side below West 96th Street. The opportunity to add our own streets of grace and history to that list is an opportunity our neighborhood welcomes.

We have every hope that the NYC Landmarks Commission will vote in favor of designating the Manhattan Avenue Historic District a landmark.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,



Glory Ann Kerstein
Founder and Board Member
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pc: Melissa Mark-Viverito, City Council
Kate Woods, Landmark West!
Penny Ryan, Community Board 7