



THE COMMITTEE TO PRESERVE THE UPPER WEST SIDE

**Testimony of LANDMARK WEST!  
Certificate of Appropriateness Committee  
Before the Landmarks Preservation Commission  
167 West 72nd Street  
March 11, 2025**

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 167 West 72nd Street, a Neo-Grec mixed-use building originally built by D. and J. Jardine in 1883-84, but modified by E. Wilbur in 1909, from within the Upper West Side/Central Park West Historic District. The application is to legalize the replacement of windows installed without LPC permit (s).

When our Certificate of Appropriateness Committee saw this application last summer, we appreciated that the applicant was willing to remediate the violation that was placed on this building for removing historic 9-over-1 windows. We are now disappointed to see a change of plan and they are seeking a legalization for inappropriate 1-over-1 windows instead.

Historic fenestration is key to the unique character of a landmark building, and in this case, there is no excuse. Not only is its former appearance well documented, this much altered building in particular would benefit from the return of its 9-over-1 windows.

The Landmark West! Certificate of Appropriateness Committee recommends the applicant re-install 9-over-1 windows.

Thank you.