

Dear Mayor Giuliani:

Re: 2 Columbus Circle

Will this most unusual building, designed by Edward Durell Stone for Huntington Hartford, be preserved as a museum or be replaced by a glitzy Trump hotel? What process and criteria are you using to make the choice between the two proposals before you?

This is a decision that will have a very wide and far lasting effect. Surely you will consider the wishes of New Yorkers, their elected officials, their community organizations, art critics, architects, and visitors, all of whom have expressed their preference for use of the building by the Dahesh Museum.

From the aesthetic and environmental points of view a museum is the best choice. As far as economic activity that depends on tourism is concerned our cultural institutions and historic preservation are important factors. In this City of rectangular megastructures the rare existence of a refreshingly different building with Near Eastern flavor and curved facade, should be reason enough to landmark the treasure. New Yorkers will long remember and be grateful to a mayor who preserved the cultural heritage of our City.

Clinton Special District Coalition, Coalition For A Livable Westside, Committee For Environmentally Sound Development, Federation of Westside Block Associations, Fine Arts Federation, Historic District Council, 63rd & 64th Street Block Association, Turtle Bay Association, West Village Committee.

For more information and for direct participation
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