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July 11, 2002

Mr. Simeon Bankoff, Executive Director
Historic Districts Council
232 East 11th Street
New York, NY 10003

Re: Huntington Hartford Gallery, 2 Columbus Circle, Manhattan

Dear Mr. Bankoff:

Chair Paulsen has referred your letter to me for response. We understand that there is great interest in preserving 2 Columbus Circle. The building has been considered for landmark designation by the Commission over a period of time. The Landmarks Commission's professional staff, the former Chairman of the Landmarks Commission, and a designation committee of Commissioners carefully evaluated the building to determine whether it met the criteria for designation set forth in the New York City Landmarks Law. The Committee decided not to recommend to the full Commission that the property be considered for designation.

As you know, the building is now proposed for reuse by a museum. The New York City Economic Development Corporation (EDC) has assured everyone that the reuse will go through a public process. We have forwarded your letter to EDC so that they will be able to inform you and other interested parties of any decisions made about 2 Columbus Circle.

Thank you for your interest.

Sincerely yours,

Ronda Wist

cc: Sheila E. Paulsen, Chair
Andrew Alper, President, EDC



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October 5, 2004

Ms. Arlene Simon, President
LandmarkWest!
45 W. 67th St.
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Ms. Kate Wood, Executive Director
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New York, NY 10023

Re: 2 Columbus Circle, Manhattan

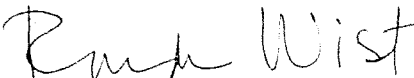
Dear Ms. Simon and Ms. Wood:

I respond on behalf of Mayor Bloomberg to your letter concerning 2 Columbus Circle. The Landmarks Commission's professional staff and a designation committee of Commissioners have carefully evaluated the building to determine whether it met the criteria for designation set forth in the New York City Landmarks Law. The Committee decided not to recommend to the full Commission that the property be considered for designation.

The building has undergone the Uniform Land Use Review Procedure (ULURP), which included a public hearing on the proposal.

Thank you for your interest in historic preservation.

Sincerely yours,


Ronda Wist