



December 4, 2018

Sarah Carroll
Chair
Landmarks Preservation Commission
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New York, NY 10007

Dear Chair Carroll:

We are writing to express our strong support for the landmark designation of 817-819 Broadway, 826 Broadway, 830 Broadway, 832 Broadway, 836-38 Broadway, 840 Broadway, and 841 Broadway. Additionally, we also ask that the Landmarks Preservation Commission (LPC) consider creating a historic district for the area south of Union Square, 9th to 14th Streets and from 3rd to 5th Avenues.

The seven buildings under consideration for landmark status are vital to the historic and progressive legacy of the Union Square area. Protests during the historic shirtwaist strike of 1901 occurred at 836 Broadway, affirming our city's commitment to fair labor standards. The Roosevelt Building at 841 Broadway housed our nation's first film studio, forging a partnership between our city and the national film industry that continues into this day. Several buildings contain features architecturally distinct to the Renaissance Revival, as showcased by 830 Broadway's banded cable molding, deep-coffered reveal, and columns.

The larger Union Square area has been a catalyst for social change since the late nineteenth century. It facilitated the growth of a more inclusive labor movement, allowing working class and immigrant women to enter the workforce. Establishing a designated historic district for the larger Union Square area will allow LPC to oversee any proposed changes, preserving its outsized cultural legacy for generations to come.

We firmly agree with Community Board 2, Manhattan, and the Greenwich Village Society for Historic Preservation and urge the LPC to consider historic district designation for the area South of Union Square. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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