July 25, 2012

Mr. Andrew Berman
Mr. Simeon Bankoff
Mr. Richard Moses
Ms. Sara Romanoski

Dear Andrew, Simeon, Richard and Sara:

Thank you for your recent letter regarding DOB permit applications for 80 East 2nd Street within the proposed East Village/Lower East Side Historic District.

In light of the extensive public testimony at our recent public hearing, the Commission is continuing outreach to stakeholders in the East Village. We plan to schedule a vote date for the proposed historic district shortly.

The Commission strives to move expeditiously and while alterations to buildings in a potential historic district are a cause for concern, our experience has shown that changes involving only one, or a small number of buildings relative to the overall size of a large district, do not diminish the integrity of the neighborhood as a whole, or affect the district's eligibility for designation.

Thank you for your interest in the work of the Landmarks Preservation Commission.

Sincerely,

Robert B. Tierney