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To: Michael Goldblum

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Re: Letter of Support

Attached is the letter of support addressed to the NYC Council from Dr. Charles Flynn.

Any questions please feel free to contact me at 718 405-3233.

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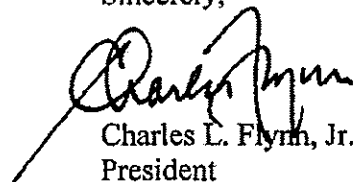
Council Member Joel Rivera
Committee on Rules, Privileges, and Elections
New York City Council
250 Broadway
New York, New York 10007

City Council Member Rivera and
Members of the Committee on Rules, Privileges, and Elections:

It is a pleasure to lend my enthusiastic support for the nomination of Michael Goldblum to the Landmarks Preservation Commission.

I came to know Mr. Goldblum as we served on Bronx Borough President Carrion's Historic Landmarks Task Force. Mr. Goldblum was invaluable to the work of that good group, not only for his professional expertise and judgment, but also for his collegiality.

Sincerely,



Charles L. Flynn, Jr.
President

Robert Fanuzzi
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October 25, 2010

Council Member Joel Rivera
Committee on Rules, Privileges and Elections
New York City Council
250 Broadway
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Dear Council Member Rivera,

It is my great privilege to recommend Mr. Michael Goldblum as a commissioner for the Landmarks Preservation Commission. I am a Professor of American Studies at St. John's University and have known Mr. Goldblum for over twenty years. Over the last five years, I have witnessed Mr. Goldblum's exceptional architectural work as a member of Community Board 8 in the northwest Bronx. I am now Vice-Chair of Community Board 8.

I first met Mr. Goldblum in 1989, when as a Fellow of the Municipal Arts Society, he was looking for researchers to help him complete the project that became "From Projects to Communities: Building a Neighborhood in Claremont Village." Mr. Goldblum had come to that project proposing architectural and design improvements to the NYCHA development, but over time, he devised a program for bringing community to Claremont Village. I saw Mr. Goldblum's intense commitment to the residents of Claremont Village and watched as he organized an impressive community organization. That group of residents eventually created an exhibit of their community's life and history which was shown at the rotunda of the Bronx County Courthouse on the Grand Concourse.

Mr. Goldblum's experience at Claremont Village made him intensely aware of the interplay between local residents and city government. He also gained a matchless knowledge of the way that city government in all its phases operates in areas of housing and quality of life. He was among the first outside city government to read and thoroughly understand the implications of 197-a plans and always understood the importance of productive relationships with borough government and local community boards. For his expertise in creating relationships with NYCHA alone, he should receive a medal.

As Mr. Goldblum steadily built his architectural practice into a LEED model, I had the further opportunity to witness his presentations before Community Board 8 as a member of the Land Use committee. I cannot overestimate the effect of Mr. Goldblum's professionalism or his detailed knowledge of Landmarks Preservation rules and regulations. His expertise had gained him the confidence of the entire community board and made him and his firm the model for community-minded sustainable development in our area. His appointment to Landmarks is a natural progression in a career that has always embraced the finest in both policy and practice.

I do hope that you will appoint Mr. Michael Goldblum to the Landmarks Preservation Commission. He has my enthusiastic support and deep respect for the work he has done in every aspect of his career.

Sincerely,
Robert Fanuzzi, Ph. D.