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BIG WIN for UWS: Court Orders 200 Amsterdam Tower to Remove Floors

On Thursday, New York County Supreme Court Justice W. Franc Perry issued a decision striking down the legitimacy of a lot at 200 Amsterdam Avenue. The case, brought by the Committee for Environmentally Sound Development (CFESD) and the Municipal Art Society of New York (MAS) against the New York City Board of Standards and Appeals (BSA), argued that the 39-sided lot that gave rise to the tower is in violation of zoning and should never have been approved.

The developer, Amsterdam Avenue Redevelopment Associates, chose to continue to build in the face of this ongoing legal challenge. The building topped out at 668 feet in August 2019. Perry requested that the BSA revoke the building permit for the tower at 200 Amsterdam Avenue near West 69th Street and remove all floors that exceed the zoning limit.



This is a big win!

This groundbreaking decision averts a dangerous precedent that would have ultimately affected every corner of the city," said Elizabeth Goldstein, President of the Municipal Art Society of New York (MAS). "The directive to partially demolish the building is appropriate given the willingness of the developer to ignore every sign that their project was inappropriately scaled for the neighborhood and based on a radical and wildly inaccurate interpretation of the Zoning Resolution."

****IMPORTANT EVENT TOMORROW PLEASE ATTEND****

Tomorrow there will be a press conference addressing this decision. This has become a citywide issue, and we expect a large media attendance. Please come and bring your neighbors.

WHERE

Corner 69th Street and Amsterdam Ave.

WHEN

Tomorrow, Monday, February 17, 11 am

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