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# SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF NEW YORK

In the Matter of the Application of

COMMITTEE TO PROTECT OUR LENOX HILL
NEIGHBORHOOD, INC., CIVITAS CITIZENS INC., 145
EAST 76<sup>TH</sup> STREET CORPORATION, EAST 76<sup>TH</sup>
REALTY CO., INC., 829 PARK AVENUE
CORPORATION, PARK AND 76<sup>TH</sup> ST. INC., 885 PARK
AVENUE CORPORATION, 863 PARK AVENUE, INC.,
PARK AVENUE AND SEVENTY-SEVENTH STREET
CORPORATION, 875 PARK AVENUE CORPORATION,
1065 LEXINGTON AVENUE CORPORATION, ANDREW
PEARCE, BARBARA MINTZ, ELIZABETH
HERKELRATH, WILLIAM HERKELRATH, HILARY
CECIL-JORDAN, LENORE PASSAVANTI, PIERRE VAN
BOCKSTAELE, and WENDY LEHMAN LASH,

Petitioners/Plaintiffs,

For a Judgment Pursuant to Article 78 and Sections 3001 and 6301 of the New York Civil Practice Law and Rules,

-against-

THE CITY OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK CITY COUNCIL, NEW YORK CITY PLANNING COMMISSION, LENOX HILL HOSPITAL and NORTHWELL HEALTH, INC.,

Respondents/Defendants.

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NOTICE OF PETITION

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that upon the accompanying Verified Petition and Complaint, verified December 8, 2025, and the exhibits annexed hereto, the Affirmation of George M. Janes,

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dated December 8, 2025, and the exhibits thereto, the Affirmation of Fred Hyde, dated December 5, 2025, and the exhibits thereto, and the Affirmation of Lois Uttley, dated December 5, 2025, Petitioners COMMITTEE TO PROTECT OUR LENOX HILL NEIGHBORHOOD, INC., CIVITAS CITIZENS INC., 145 EAST 76<sup>TH</sup> STREET CORPORATION, EAST 76<sup>TH</sup> REALTY CO., INC., 829 PARK AVENUE CORPORATION, PARK AND 76<sup>TH</sup> ST. INC., 885 PARK AVENUE CORPORATION, 863 PARK AVENUE, INC., PARK AVENUE AND SEVENTY-SEVENTH STREET CORPORATION, 875 PARK AVENUE CORPORATION, 1065 LEXINGTON AVENUE CORPORATION, ANDREW PEARCE, BARBARA MINTZ, ELIZABETH HERKELRATH, WILLIAM HERKELRATH, HILARY CECIL-JORDAN, LENORE PASSAVANTI, PIERRE VAN BOCKSTAELE, and WENDY LEHMAN LASH, (collectively "Petitioners"), will make an application to the IAS Submission Part of this Court to be held at the Courthouse thereof, located at 60 Centre Street, Room 130, New York, New York, on the 12th day of January, 2026, at 9:30 a.m., or as soon after as counsel can be heard, for an order, pursuant to CPLR Article 78, vacating and annulling the zoning approvals granted by Respondents THE CITY OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK CITY COUNCIL and NEW YORK CITY PLANNING COMMISSION (collectively, the "City") to Respondents LENOX HILL HOSPITAL and NORTHWELL HEALTH, INC. in connection with the proposed redevelopment and expansion of Lenox Hill Hospital on the grounds that they constitute illegal spot zoning and violate the State Environmental Quality Review Act and the City Environmental Quality Review; and for any other, further and different relief that the Court deems just, proper and fair.

**PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that pursuant to CPLR §7804 answering papers, if any, are to be served on the undersigned five (5) days before the return date of the Verified Petition and Complaint.

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Petitioners designate New York County as the place of Trial. Pursuant to CPLR §§ 506(b) and 7804(b), venue is proper in New York County as the county within the judicial district where Respondents made the determinations complained of, the proceedings were brought and the material events otherwise took place. In addition, pursuant to CPLR § 503(a), venue is proper in New York County where Petitioners reside and/or have their principal places of business.

Dated: New York, New York December 8, 2025

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### **SUMMONS**

Plaintiffs designate New York County as the place of trial

The basis of venue is the judicial district where the determinations complained of took place and the residence/principal place of business of the parties

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To the above-named defendants:

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the complaint is not served with this summons, to serve a notice of appearance on plaintiffs' attorney(s) within 20 days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within 30 days after the service is complete if this summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York), and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the

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complaint.

Dated: New York, New York December 8, 2025

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