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***The West Bergen-East Lincoln Park Historic District Has Been Designated a NJ Historic Site by the New Jersey State Review Board for Historic Sites; District is First Outside of Downtown Considered for Inclusion on Municipal, State, and National Registers of Historic Places***

**JERSEY CITY** – Mayor Steven M. Fulop and members of the Municipal Council announced that the New Jersey State Review Board for Historic Sites has designated Jersey City of Jersey City’s **West Bergen-East Lincoln Park Historic District** as a New Jersey historic district. The district will now be recommended for inclusion on the National Registers of Historic Places.

“We are pleased the State has designated the West Bergen-East Lincoln Park Historic District as a New Jersey historic district and we anticipate the National Registers of Historic Places adding the district as well,” said **Mayor Fulop**. “This designation is the culmination of all the hard work the community has done to raise awareness of the history of the neighborhood.

This is the process that protected the historical character of many of the City’s historic neighborhoods downtown, including Paulus Hook, Van Vorst Park and Hamilton Park. This is the first historic district outside of downtown that the City is nominating for inclusion on the Municipal, State and National Registers of Historic Places, which is a huge step in recognizing additional historic districts in Jersey City.

The **West Bergen-East Lincoln Park Historic District** is expected to be added to the City’s historic districts in December or January.

“Historic properties conserve our local heritage, using the infrastructure already in place,” said **Ward B Councilman Khemraj “Chico” Ramchal**. “It engages the past in a conversation with the present with concern for the future while revitalizing our community.”

Listing under the New Jersey and National Registers of Historic Places would not only provide recognition to the historical importance of our community, but would help to preserve the historic character of such property in terms of public rehabilitation projects.

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The approximate boundaries for the district include Lincoln Park and west Side Avenue to the west, Harrison Avenue to the south, Bergen Avenue to the east, and Fairmount Avenue to the north, along Kennedy Boulevard to Jewett Avenue and back to West Side Avenue.

“Finally, the recognition of Jersey City’s West Side - East Lincoln Park Historic District with its unique homes and apartments built by and for some of the most prominent residents that shaped the business, political and social landscape of Jersey City, the state and the country will join the other four historic districts in the city to continue to tell the story of a little city with huge influence,” said **Charlene Burke, President of the West Bergen/Lincoln Park Neighborhood Coalition.**

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