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***The West Bergen-East Lincoln Park Historic District Nominated by the New Jersey State Review Board for Historic Sites; District is First Outside of Downtown that the City is Nominating for Inclusion on Municipal, State, and National Registers of Historic Places***

**JERSEY CITY** – Mayor Steven M. Fulop and members of the Municipal Council are proud to announce that the **West Bergen-East Lincoln Park Historic District** has been nominated by the New Jersey State Review Board for Historic Sites for inclusion on the New Jersey and National Registers of Historic Places.

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.

“As a City with such a diverse historical background, we are pleased that the West Bergen-East Lincoln Park Historic District is being reviewed for inclusion as a historic site to the New Jersey and National Registers of Historic Places,” said **Mayor Fulop**. “The community has worked hard to raise awareness of the history of the neighborhood and this recognizes that effort. We have many historic neighborhoods in Jersey City and are pleased to see this designation move forward.”

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.

“This will only enhance the West Side of Jersey City, which is home to many historic structures,” said **Ward B Councilman Khemraj Ramchal**. “I credit both the community and the Mayor for recognizing the historic treasures in Ward B and we know this designation will attract even more people to venture into the West Side.”

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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.

A community meeting for private property owners interested in registering with the New Jersey and National Registers will be held at **7:00 p.m.** on **Thursday, October 16, 2014** at **Saint Paul's Episcopal Church, 38 Duncan Avenue.**

**For more information and to view the application please visit the Historic Preservation website [www.dep.state.nj.us/dep/hpo](http://www.dep.state.nj.us/dep/hpo).**

The New Jersey State Review Board will hold a meeting to consider the nomination at 10:00 a.m. on November 13, 2014 on the 4<sup>th</sup> floor conference room at 501 East State Street, Trenton, New Jersey. Please call the Historic Preservation Office to confirm attendance at 609-292-0062.

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