St Reformed Church & ~~Parish House~~ School 9
112-09 14th Avenue -- NW cor 119th St.
College Point.

RESEARCH FILE

FIRST REFORMED CHURCH AND SUNDAY SCHOOL OF COLLEGE POINT,
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RECORDS REPORT
BUILDINGS DEPARTMENT RESEARCH FORM

BOROUGH QUEENS AREA COLLEGE PT.

BLOCK 4039 LOT 65 + 69

ADDRESS 14th AVE + 119th ST.

BETWEEN AND

FIRST REFORMED CHURCH + PARISH HOUSE

NEW BUILDING NUMBER

LOCATION

OWNER

ARCHITECT/BUILDER

COST

LOT SIZE

BUILDING SIZE

HEIGHT/NO. OF STORIES

EXTENSION SIZE

HEIGHT/NO. OF STORIES

FACADE MATERIAL/CORNICE

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SUBMITTED BY DATE

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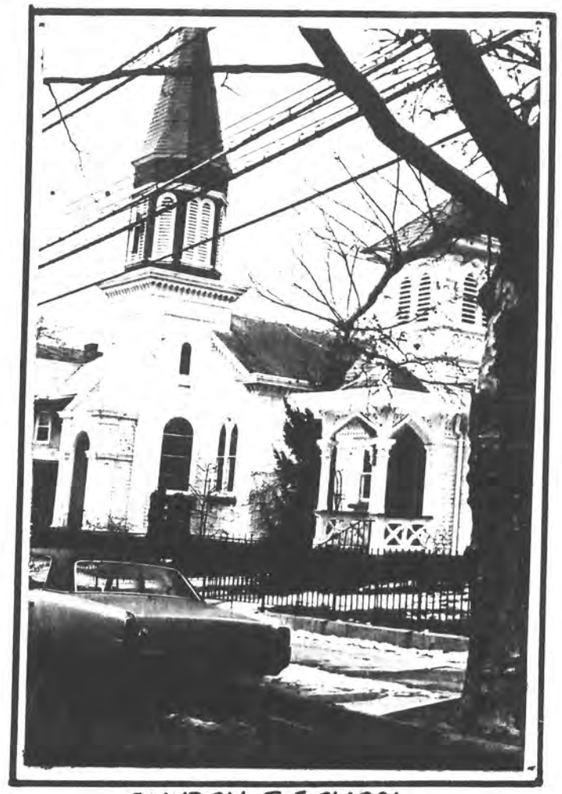

CHURCH & SCHOOL

FIRST REFORMED CHURCH & SCHOOL

14TH AVENUE, N.W. COR. 119TH ST., COLLEGE PT.
QUEENS

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First Reformed Church + School of College Point

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Heard:

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ADDRESS : 118-09 14th Ave.

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OWNER/OCCUPANT:
ADDRESS :

REGION :
BOROUGH : Queens
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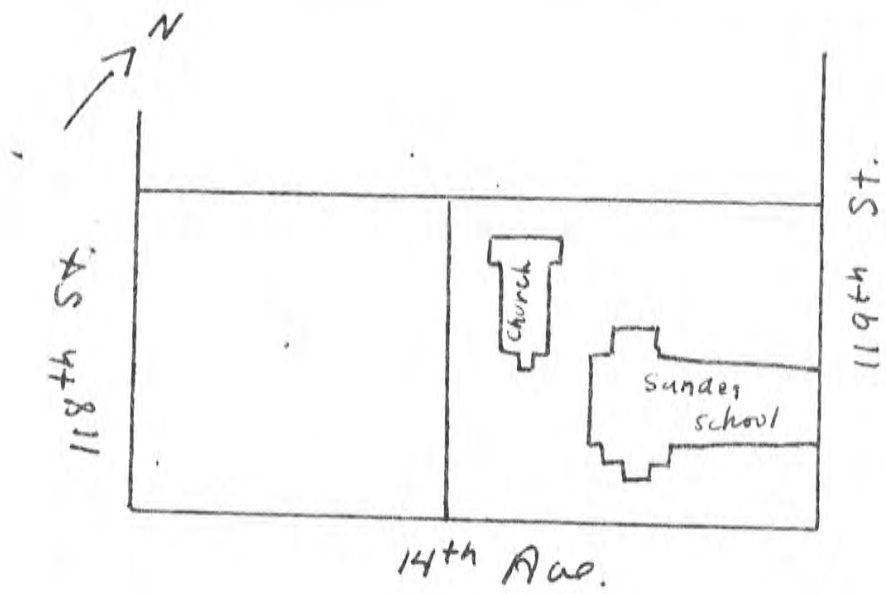

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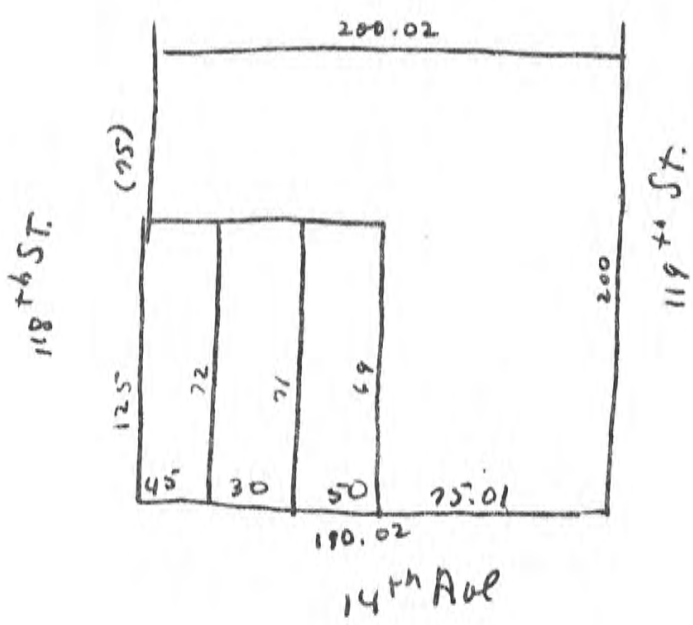

REAL ESTATE DIRECTORY:

NOMINATION :

L.P.C. / None

ITEM NAME : First Reformed Church & Parish House
ADDRESS : 14th Avenue - NW corner 119th Street
REGION : College Point
BOROUGH : Queens

Dept. of Collection/Bureau of City Collection
OWNER/OCCUPANT : 1st Reformed Church
ADDRESS : — (14th Avenue)

OWNER OF RECORD:

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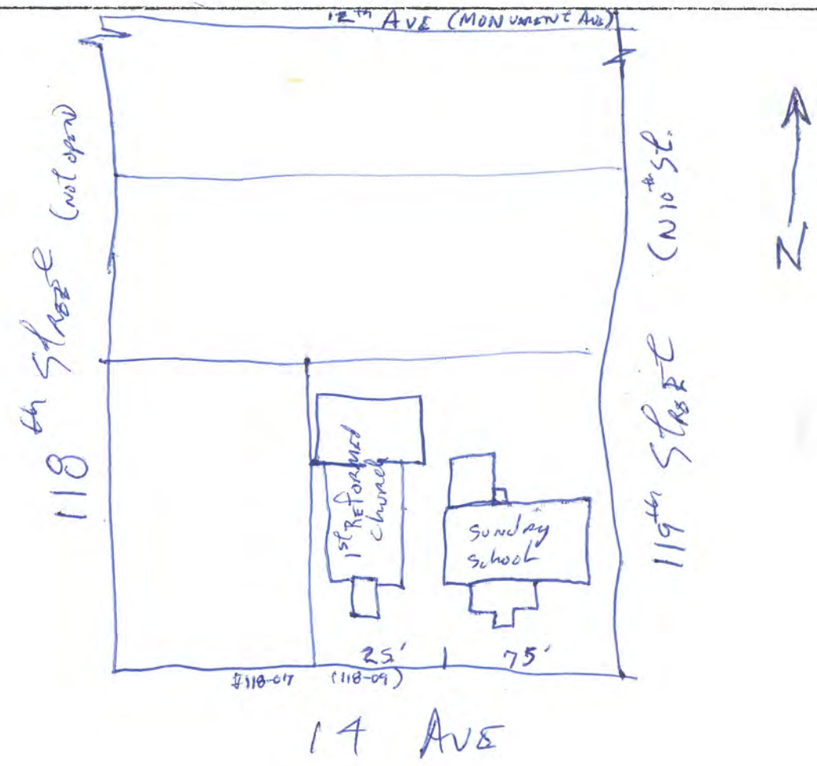

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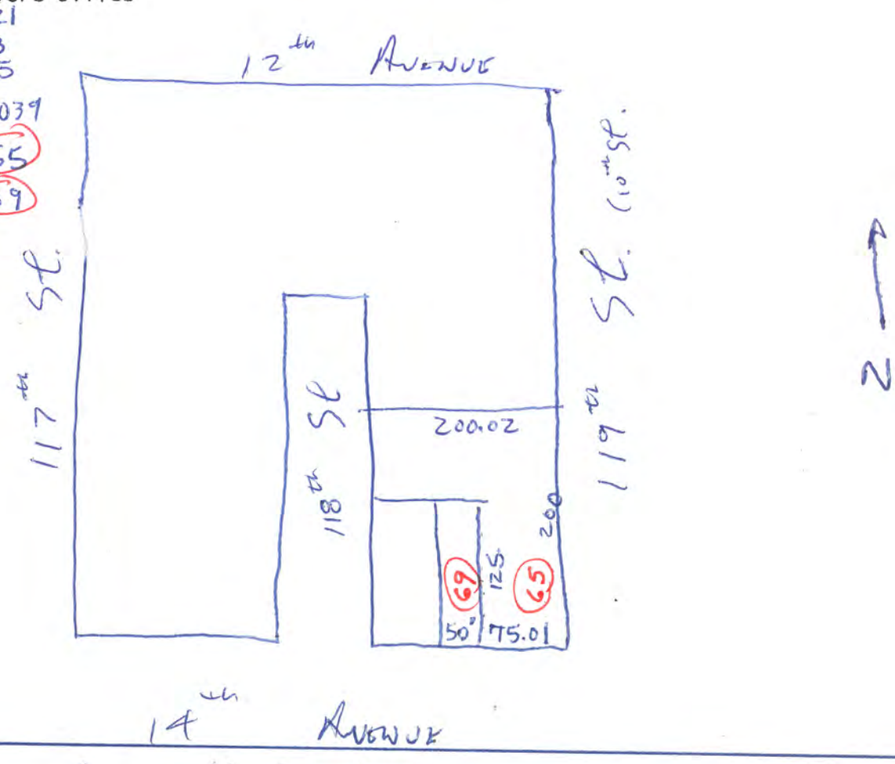

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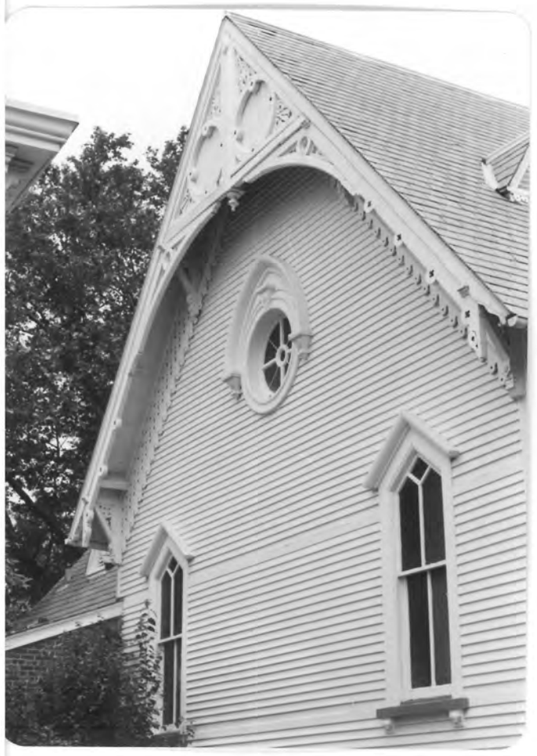

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SUN. 10:45 AM

Q - ~~First~~ Reformed Church
& Sunday School of College
Point

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Heard:

First Reformed Church + School of College Point

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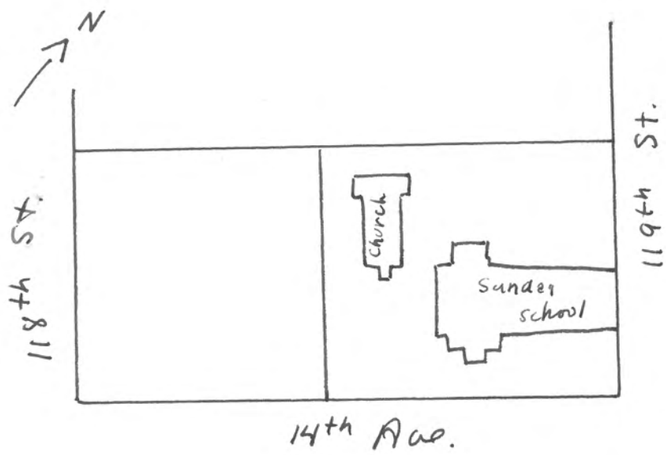

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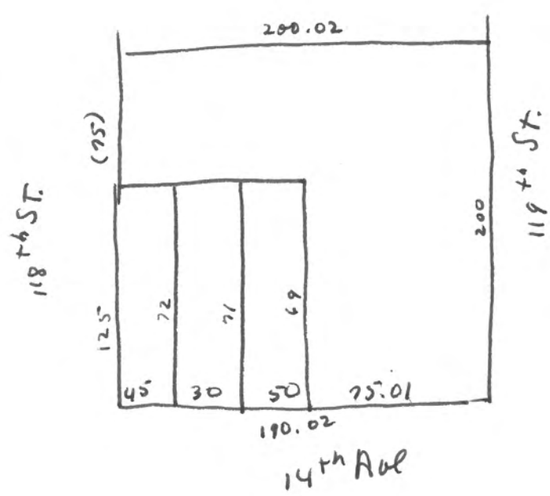

REAL ESTATE DIRECTORY:

NOMINATION :

LANDMARKS PRESERVATION COMMISSION

305 BROADWAY, NEW YORK, N. Y. 10007

April 28, 1980

Mr. Peter F. Vallone
Council Member, 20th District, Queens
Chase Manhattan Bank Building
22-45 31st Street
Astoria, New York 11105

Dear Mr. Vallone:

Your letter indicating opposition to the proposed designation of the First Reformed Church and Sunday School of College Point has been added to the permanent record on that item.

Sincerely yours,

Lenore Norman

Lenore Norman
Executive Director

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THE COUNCIL
OF
THE CITY OF NEW YORK
CITY HALL
NEW YORK, N. Y. 10007
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PETER F. VALLONE
COUNCIL MEMBER, 20TH DISTRICT, QUEENS
CHASE MANHATTAN BANK BUILDING
22-45 31ST STREET
ASTORIA, N. Y. 11105
274-4500

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CHAIRMAN, SUB-COMMITTEE ON
CHARTER REVISION AND
ADMINISTRATIVE CODE
COMMITTEE MEMBER:
FINANCE
STATE LEGISLATION
GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS

March 6, 1980

Ms. Lenore Norman
Executive Director
Landmarks Preservation Commission
305 Broadway
New York, New York 10007

Re: First Reform Church and Sunday
School of College Point

Dear Ms. Norman:

Please consider this letter in opposition to the proposed Landmark Designation of the First Reform Church and Sunday School of College Point. I fully support the position of Community Board #7 and the congregation of the Church itself which have gone on record in opposition of such a Designation. It would be contrary to the spirit and intent of the Landmark Legislation to ignore the reasonable request of the community and Community Board. I therefore urge you to reject the proposed Designation.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Very truly yours,

Peter F. Vallone

PETER F. VALLONE

PFV:rp
CC: Community Board #7
Rev. Ronald Vande Bunte, Pastor

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LANDMARKS PRESERVATION COMMISSION

PETER F. VALLONE
COUNCIL MEMBER, 20TH DISTRICT, QUEENS
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ASTORIA, N. Y. 11105

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Ms. Lenore Norman
Executive Director
Landmarks Preservation Commission
305 Broadway
New York, New York 10007

February 26, 1980

Assemblyman John G. Lopresto
Queens County
22-02 Steinway Street
Astoria, New York 11105

Dear Assemblyman Lopresto:

I am in receipt of your letter concerning the proposed designation of the First Reformed Church and School of CollegePoint. Your previous letter has been included in the file for that item and I will have your your current letter registering your objection read into the record on March 11, 1980.

Sincerely,

Lenore Norman
Executive Director

LN:PS

JOHN G LOPRESTO
ASSEMBLYMAN 35TH DISTRICT
QUEENS COUNTY
22-02 STEINWAY STREET
ASTORIA, NEW YORK 11105
TEL. 932-5227

THE ASSEMBLY
STATE OF NEW YORK
ALBANY

February 15th 1980

Landmarks Preservation Commission
305 Broadway
New York, N.Y. 10007

Attention: Ms. Lenore Norman
Executive Director

re: FIRST REFORMED CHURCH & SCHOOL
of College Point
118-09 14th Avenue
College Point (Queens) N.Y.
Block 4039, Lot 65

Dear Ms. Norman:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your correspondence dated February 6th 1980, apprising me of a Public Hearing scheduled for Tuesday, March 11th 1980, at 10:30 a.m., to consider the above named site in my Assembly District as a New York City Landmark.

I thank you for your very kind advance notice of this Hearing, but it is with regret to inform you that I will not be able to attend and give testimony in view of the fact that the New York State Legislature will be in regular session on that date and my attendance thereat is required.

Notwithstanding my inability to give testimony, I wish to reiterate my opposition to the Landmark designation of the above named site in view of the many constituents who have written to me joining with the officials of the said church and school.

Thank you for permitting me to offer this letter in opposition and I trust that you will give careful consideration to the views of my constituents as you have in the past.

Sincerely yours,

JOHN G. LOPRESTO
Assemblyman

Copy to:
First Reformed Church & School of C.P.
(address above)
C.P.Historical Society
Mr. Allen J. Bozeman, Pres.
C.P.Taxpayers Assn.,
Mrs. Joan Vogt, Pres.
JGL/c

Retain this part of the form and present it to the person at the speaker's table when you come forward to address the Commission.

BUILDING FIRST REFORMED CHURCH & SUNDAY SCHOOL CALENDAR NO. 4

FOR DESIGNATION AS A LANDMARK _____ AGAINST DESIGNATION AS A LANDMARK ✓

NAME RONALD E. VANDE BUNTE

REPRESENTING FIRST REFORMED CHURCH

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BUILDING FIRST REFORMED CHURCH CALENDAR NO. 4

FOR DESIGNATION AS A LANDMARK _____ AGAINST DESIGNATION AS A LANDMARK ✓

NAME DEXTER H HARRIS

REPRESENTING FIRST REFORMED CHURCH

January 8,

LANDMARKS PRESERVATION COMMISSION

BUILDING First Reformed Church and Sunday School of College Point, 118-09 14Av, CALENDAR NO. 10

FOR DESIGNATION AS A LANDMARK _____ AGAINST DESIGNATION AS A LANDMARK ✓

NAME John Martin

ADDRESS 47-23 Glenwood St.

REPRESENTING First Reformed Church

ADDRESS 118-09 14Av College Point, Queens, N.Y.

The top part of this form goes to the Chairman of the meeting.

LANDMARKS PRESERVATION COMMISSION

BUILDING FIRST REFORMED CHURCH & SUNDAY SCHOOL, COLLEGE PT CALENDAR NO. 10

FOR DESIGNATION AS A LANDMARK ____ AGAINST DESIGNATION AS A LANDMARK ✓

NAME DEXTER HARRIS

ADDRESS 123-07 25 RD COLLEGE PT NY

REPRESENTING FIRST REFORMED CHURCH

ADDRESS 118-01 14 AVE COLLEGE PT NY

The top part of this form goes to the Chairman of the meeting.

LANDMARKS PRESERVATION COMMISSION

BUILDING First Reformed Church & Sunday School CALENDAR NO. 10

FOR DESIGNATION AS A LANDMARK ____ AGAINST DESIGNATION AS A LANDMARK ✓

NAME Rev. Ronald E. Vande Bunte

ADDRESS 118-01 14th Av., College Point

REPRESENTING First Reformed Church

ADDRESS 118-13 14th Av College Point

The top part of this form goes to the Chairman of the meeting.

LANDMARKS PRESERVATION COMMISSION

BUILDING First Ref. Church C.P. CALENDAR NO. 10

FOR DESIGNATION AS A LANDMARK _____ AGAINST DESIGNATION AS A LANDMARK _____

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NAME WILLIAM D. FRIEDMANN

ADDRESS 137-83 NORTHERN BLVD FLUSHING

REPRESENTING PRES QUEENS HISTORICAL SOCIETY

ADDRESS _____

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March 11, 1980 (LP 1117)

Item #4 First Reformed Church and Sunday School of College Point

Speakers

1. Reverend Ronald E. Vande Bunte
   - Minister of First Reformed Church
   - Opposes designation and requests that record be held open.

2. Dexter Harris
   - Opposes designation
   - Submitted petition signed by congregation opposed to designation.

3. Wids De La Cour
   - In favor of designation

Hearing Closed.
Record will be held open for 60 days

FIRST REFORMED CHURCH

14th AVENUE at 119th STREET
COLLEGE POINT, NEW YORK 11356

March 9, 1980

We, the undersigned, members of the fellowship of the First Reformed Church in College Point, are opposed to the designation of our Church and Sunday School buildings as Landmarks. We consider this to be and infringement on our Religious Freedom.

Ronald E. Vande Bunte 118-01 14th Av., College Point, N.Y. 11356
[illegible] 147-[illegible] [illegible]
Phyllis Brown 129-01 9 Ave College Pt 11356
Madeline Frankenstein 15-26 126 St. C.P.
Lillian Reifenhauser 18-41 - 119 St. C.P.
Clara & Emil Casko 11-33 - College Pt. Blvd.
Bertha Sonntag 124-19 6 Ave College Point
George Andras 117-01 12th Ave College Point
Ida G. Gruber 23-18 127 St College Point
Lucy Sattalana 118-07 14th Ave C.P. N.Y.
Betty Schulz 121-23 8th Ave. College Pt. N.Y. 11356
Florence & Russ Hoffman 20-43 120th St. " " "
Michele J. Leone 12-45 117 St., College Pt. N.Y.
Philip M. Leone 12-45 117 St., College Pt. N.Y.
Gloria De Paulis 9-26 127 St College Pt. N.Y.
Nancy DePaulis 9-26 127 St College Pt N.Y.
Dorothy Stanley 13-28-125th College Pt N.Y.
Harriet Cooty 13-28 125th College Pt N.Y.
Carolyn C. Kisely 115-20 10 Ave College Pt. N.Y.
Virginia Maresca 121-15 7 Ave College Pt. N.Y.

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Frank Price 5-12 125th St College Pt, NY, 11356
Lee Brown 129-01 9 Ave College Pt NY 11356
Anthony Sattolaes 118-07 14th Ave College Pt. 11356
Eleanor Schreiner 119-40-7 " " "

Edward C. Schieler 120-15 9 Road, College Point
Alice Bateman 10-11 115th St C.P.
Charlotte Schieler 120-15 9th Rd C.P.
LaVorne Moss 18-37 119th St. CP
Doris Harris 123-07 25 Rd. College Pt. N.Y.
Mr. & Mrs. Robert K. Nagasawa 110-42 15th Ave. C.P.
Charles Zittel } 22-14 120 St C.P.
(Catherine Zittel)
Elsie Billings 13-19 124th St. C.P.

Tim Banks 117-15 12 AVE C.P.
Karen Moss 13-43 137 St C.P.
Terri Moss 13-43 137 St. C.P.
Nancy Moss 13-43 137 St. C.P.
Abby F. Zittel 7-17 College Place
Polly J. Zittel 7-17 College Place.
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Suzanne Cummings 119-26 8th Ave C.P.
Mitsuzi Hyizhi 110-14-14th Road

Russell A Hoffman 20-43 120 St College Pt. 11356
Mae Zwicke 13-03 - 128 St. CP
Wm. Baresch 11-08 - 131 St. CP
Helen Applegate " " "
Mary Weber 13-19 124th. Street, College Point
James Murray 119-26 8 ave College Point.
John F. Martin 47-23 Glenwood St., Little Neck, N.Y. 11362
Charles A Zittel 7-17 COLLEGE PL COLLEGE Point N.Y. 11356
Miriam J. Noia 14-75 154th St. Beechhurst N.Y. 11357
Walter W. Blaser 97 Park Ave Port Washington N.Y. 11052
Mabel K. McAuliffe 115-11 14th Ave College Point N.Y.
Frank J. McAuliffe " " " " " 11356
Eileen VandeBunte 118-01 14 Ave - C.P. - 11356

LANDMARKS PRESERVATION COMMISSION

305 BROADWAY, NEW YORK, N. Y. 10007

December 12, 1979

Rev. Ron Vande Bunte
First Reformed Church &
School of College Point
118-09 14th Ave.
Queens, N.Y. 11434

RE: First Reformed Church &
School of College Point
118-09 14th Avenue, Queens
Block 4039, Lot 65

Dear Rev. Vande Bunte,

Your name appears as the representative of the owner of the above-named property. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 207-12.0 of Chapter 8-A (Preservation of Landmarks and Historic Districts) of the Administrative Code of the City of New York, you are hereby notified that on Tuesday, January 8, 1980 at 10:30 A.M. in the morning of that day, a public hearing will be held in the Board of Estimate Chambers at City Hall, with respect to the proposed designation of the above-named property.

Public notice of said hearing identifying the proposed Landmark, and setting forth its location will appear in the City Record of Dec. 24, 1979 and on each day (other than Saturdays, Sundays and holidays thereafter) until and including January 8, 1980.

You or your representative may appear at such public hearing and present any facts and express any views relating to the proposed designation. If you plan to present any facts, express any views or offer any testimony, the Commission will appreciate it if you let us know as soon as possible in order that appropriate arrangements may be madde for your participation.

Very truly yours,

Lenore Norman

Lenore Norman
Executive Director

LN:PS
Enc.

LANDMARKS PRESERVATION COMMISSION

305 BROADWAY, NEW YORK, N. Y. 10007

December 12, 1979

Hon. Mary McVay
Chairperson, Community Board #7
136-51 37th Ave.
Flushing, N.Y. 11354

RE: First Reformed Church & School of College Point
118-09 14th Avenue, Queens
Block 4039, Lot 65

Dear Mrs. McVay,

The above-named site(s) in your neighborhood will be considered at Public Hearings starting at 10:30 A.M. on Tuesday, January 8, 1980, in the Board of Estimate Chambers, City Hall.

The purpose of the Hearings is to ascertain whether the site(s) qualifies for landmark designation, and the Commission would appreciate receiving the views of the Board. We are writing you pursuant to Local Law 39 of 1969.

If you have any questions before the Hearing, we will be very glad to answer them. A representative of the Board may want to appear, or you may want to send a statement to be read into the record on that date.

With best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

Lenore Norman

Lenore Norman
Executive Director

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LANDMARKS PRESERVATION COMMISSION

305 BROADWAY, NEW YORK, N. Y. 10007
566-7577

December 12, 1979

Hon. Eugene Mastropieri
Council-at-Large
67-40 Myrtle Ave.
Glendale, N.Y. 11227

RE: First Reformed Church & School
of College Point
118-09 14th Avenue, Queens
Block 4039, Lot 65

Dear Councilman Mastropieri;

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The Commission has written to the Community Board and to the owner(s) of the site(s). If you would like to submit a statement about the proposed designation, we would read your message into the record that day. The Commission appreciates your interest in its work.

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LANDMARKS PRESERVATION COMMISSION
305 BROADWAY, NEW YORK, N. Y. 10007
566-7577

December 12, 1979

Hon. Jack R. Muratori
Council-at-Large
Box 85, Station A
Flushing, N.Y. 11358

RE: First Reformed Church & School of College Point
118-09 14th Avenue, Queens
Block 4039, Lot 65

Dear Councilman Muratori;

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December 12, 1979

Hon. John G. Lopresto
35th State Assembly District
22-02 Steinway Street
Astoria, N.Y. 11105

RE: First Reformed Church & School of College Point
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305 BROADWAY, NEW YORK, N. Y. 10007
566-7577

December 12, 1979

Hon. Gary L. Ackerman
12th State Senatorial District
46-25 Kissena Blvd.
Flushing, N.Y. 11355

RE: First Reformed Church &
School of College Point
118-09 14th Avenue, Queens
Block 4039, Lot 65

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December 12, 1979

Hon. Peter F. Vallone
20th Council District
22-45 31st Street
Astoria, N.Y. 11105

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LANDMARKS PRESERVATION COMMISSION
305 BROADWAY, NEW YORK, N. Y. 10007
566-7577

December 12, 1979

Hon. Mario Biaggi
10th Congressional District
2004 Williamsbridge Road
Bronx, N.Y. 10461

RE: First Reformed Church &
School of College Point
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LANDMARKS PRESERVATION COMMISSION
305 BROADWAY, NEW YORK, N. Y. 10007
566-7577

December 12, 1979

Hon. Donald R. Manes
Borough President
120-55 Queens Boulevard
Kew Gardens, N.Y. 11424

RE: First Reformed Church & School of College Point
118-09 14th Avenue, Queens
Block 4039, Lot 65

Dear Borough President Manes;

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THE ASSEMBLY
STATE OF NEW YORK
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December 20th 1979

Landmarks Preservation Commission
305 Broadway
New York, N.Y. 10007

Attention: Ms. Lenore Norman
Executive Director

re: FIRST REFORMED CHURCH &
SCHOOL of College Point
118-09 14th Ave.,
College Point (Queens), NY
Block 4039, Lot 65

Dear Ms. Norman:

This is to acknowledge, with thanks, receipt of your very kind and thoughtful letter of December 12th 1979, apprising me of a Public Hearing scheduled for Tuesday, January 8th 1980, at 10:30 a.m. in the Board of Estimate Chambers at City Hall, sponsored by the Landmarks Preservation Commission in order to consider the designation of the above named sites in my Assembly District.

In affording me this notice, I wish to go on record in support of the above designated sites and appreciate the very keen interest of the Commission in its laudable work relative to landmark preservation.

Wishing you the very best of health and success in your endeavors throughout the Holiday Season and beyond, I remain

Sincerely yours,

John G. Lopresto

JOHN G. LOPRESTO
Assemblyman

Copy to:
First Reformed Church
& School of C.P.

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JOHN G LOPRESTO
ASSEMBLYMAN 35TH DISTRICT
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December 28th 1979

Landmarks Preservation Commission
305 Broadway
New York, N.Y. 10007

Attention: Ms. Lenore Norman
Executive Director

re: FIRST REFORMED CHURCH &
SCHOOL of College Point
118-09 14th Avenue
College Point (Queens) N.Y.
Block 4039, Lot 65

Dear Ms. Norman:

Since my letter to you of December 20th 1979, in connection with the above entitled Landmarks Preservation Commission matter, I have been duly informed by the officials of the said Church and School, and by many members of my constituency, that they are OPPOSED to the designation of the above named sites in my Assembly District.

Therefore and accordingly, I wish to reverse my position and go on record in opposition to the above designated site.

I wish to thank you for your continuing interest and laudable work on behalf of the Commission, and trust that you will give respectful consideration to the views of my constituents relative to this most important matter.

Sincerely yours,

JOHN G. LOPRESTO
Assemblyman

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January 4, 1980

Ms. Lenore Norman
Executive Director
Landmarks Preservation Commission
305 Broadway
New York, N.Y. 10007

RE: First Reformed Church
and School of College
Point

118-09 14th Avenue, Queens
Block # 4039, Lot # 65

Dear Ms. Norman:

The above captioned Church and School is scheduled for a Public Hearing on Tuesday, January 8, 1980.

We have contacted members of the church and have learned of their opposition to Landmark Designation because they fear financial hardships should exterior alterations become necessary at any time.

In light of this community's concern may we suggest that you postpone Landmark Designation of this building indefinitely and remove this parcel from your January 8th agenda.

Sincerely,

Mary McVay

Mary McVay
Chairperson, Community Board #7

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FIRST REFORMED CHURCH
14th AVENUE at 119th STREET
COLLEGE POINT, NEW YORK 11356

January 1, 1980

Landmarks Preservation Commission
305 Broadway
New York, N.Y. 10007

Attention: Ms Lenore Norman, Executive Director

Dear Ms. Lenore Norman:

In response to your letters on Dec. 4, 1979, Dec. 12, 1979, and our telephone conversation on Dec. 26, 1979, let me outline the objections that we have to the Landmarks Preservation Commission considering the First Reformed Church and School of College Point for a possible designation :

1. We have always expressed our absolute and unqualified disinterest when we have been approached in the past concerning possible landmark designation.
2. As a Christian Church while we have always been interested in prserving the buildings from which we minister, we also recognize that ministry is our number one priority, Therefore, if it would enhance our ministry either to rebuild, to modify our structure, or to sell the whole property in order to minister more effectively to our community where God has called us to spread His Gospel, we would so without hesitation.
3. As a small church, it would be unfair to burden us with the guidelines that a Landmark Designation would impose upon us.
4. We resent this hearing coming so soon after the Christmas holidays. Because we have been busy with the Activities of the season, we are not able to prepare a comprehensive case detailing the reasons why we should not be considered for this designation. We do, however, intend to have representation at the hearing on Jan. 8th to object to the commisions actions.

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If I can help you in any way to clear up this matter, please call me. My telephone number is FL 9-3956.

Sincerely Yours,

Ronald W Vande Bunte
Pastor

LANDMARKS PRESERVATION COMMISSION

305 BROADWAY, NEW YORK, N. Y. 10007

January 22, 1980

Rev. Ronald Vande Bunte
First Reformed Church &
Sunday School of College Point
118-02 14th Ave.
Queens, NY 11434

Re: First Reformed Church &
Sunday School of College Point
Tax Map Block 4039, Lot 65

Dear Rev. Vande Bunte:

Your name appears as the representative of the owner of the above named property. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 207-12.0 of Chapter 8-A (Preservation of Landmarks and Historic Districts) of the Administrative Code of the City of New York, you are hereby notified that on Tuesday, March 11, 1980 at 10:30 o'clock in the morning of that day, a public hearing will be held in the Board of Estimate Chambers at City Hall, with respect to the proposed designation of the above named property.

Public notice of said hearing identifying the proposed Landmark, and setting forth its location will appear in the City Record of February 21 and on each day (other than Saturdays, Sundays and holidays thereafter) until and including March 11, 1980.

You or your representative may appear at such public hearing and present any facts and express any views relating to the proposed designation. If you plan to present any facts, express any views or offer any testimony, the Commission will appreciate it if you let us know as soon as possible in order that appropriate arrangements may be made for your participation.

Very truly yours,

Lenore Norman

Lenore Norman
Executive Director

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Enclosure

LANDMARKS PRESERVATION COMMISSION

305 BROADWAY, NEW YORK, N. Y. 10007
566-7577

February 6, 1980

Councilman Jack R. Muratori
Box 85, Station A
Flushing, N. Y. 11358

Re: See attached list

Dear Councilman Muratori:

On Tuesday, March 11, 1980 at 10:30 A.M. in the Board of Estimate Chambers at City Hall, the Landmarks Preservation Commission will hold another Public Hearing on proposed New York City Landmarks. That day the Commission will consider the designation of the above-named site(s) in your district.

The Commission has written to the Community Board and to the owner(s) of the site(s). If you would like to submit a statement about the proposed designation, we would read your message into the record that day. The Commission appreciates your interest in its work.

Sincerely yours,

Lenore Norman

Lenore Norman
Executive Director

LN:PS
Enc.

LANDMARKS PRESERVATION COMMISSION
305 BROADWAY, NEW YORK, N. Y. 10007
566-7577

February 6, 1980

Borough President Donald R. Manes
120-55 Queens Boulevard
Kew Gardens, N. Y. 11424

Re: See attached list

Dear Borough President Manes:

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Sincerely yours,

Lenore Norman

Lenore Norman
Executive Director

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LANDMARKS PRESERVATION COMMISSION
305 BROADWAY, NEW YORK, N. Y. 10007
566-7577

February 6, 1980

Councilman Peter F. Vallone
20th Council District
22-45 31st Street
Astoria, N.Y. 11105

Re: See attached list

Dear Councilman Vallone:

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566-7577

February 6, 1980

Councilman Eugene F. Mastropieri
67-40 Myrtle Avenue
Glendale, N. Y. 11227

Re: See attached list

Dear Councilman Mastropieri:

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Executive Director

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LANDMARKS PRESERVATION COMMISSION

305 BROADWAY, NEW YORK, N. Y. 10007
566-7577

February 6, 1980

Senator Gary L. Ackerman
12th State Senatorial District
46-25 Kissena Blvd.
Flushing, N. Y. 11355

Re: See attached list

Dear Senator Ackerman:

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LANDMARKS PRESERVATION COMMISSION
305 BROADWAY, NEW YORK, N. Y. 10007
566-7577

February 6, 1980

Assemblyman John G. Lopresto
35th State Assembly District
22-02 Steinway Street
Rockaway Park, N. Y. 11694

Re: See attached list

Dear Assemblyman Lopresto:

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LANDMARKS PRESERVATION COMMISSION
305 BROADWAY, NEW YORK, N. Y. 10007
566-7577

February 6, 1980

Congressman Mario Biaggi
10th Congressional District
2004 Williamsbridge Road
Bronx, N. Y. 10461

Re: See attached list

Dear Congressman Biaggi:

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LANDMARKS PRESERVATION COMMISSION

305 BROADWAY, NEW YORK, N. Y. 10007

February 6, 1980

Ms. Mary McVay
Community Board #7
136-51 37th Avenue
Flushing, N. Y. 11354

Re: See attached list

Dear Ms. McVay:

The above-named site(s) in your neighborhood will be considered at Public Hearings starting at 10:30 A.M. on Tuesday, March 11, 1980 in the Board of Estimate Chambers, City Hall.

The purpose of the Hearings is to ascertain whether the site(s) qualifies for landmark designation, and the Commission would appreciate receiving the views of the Board. We are writing you pursuant to Local Law 39 of 1969.

If you have any questions before the Hearing, we will be very glad to answer them. A representative of the Board may want to appear, or you may want to send a statement to be read into the record on that date.

With best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

Lenore Norman

Lenore Norman
Executive Director

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Enc.

Items - March 11, 1980 Public Hearing

New York Stock Exchange Building
8 Broad Street, Manhattan
Block 23, Lot 19 in part

Metropolitan Life Insurance Company Tower Building
One Madison Avenue, Manhattan
Block 853, Lot 1 in part

Felix Warburg Mansion/ now part of Jewish Museum
1109 Fifth Avenue, Manhattan
Block 1504, Lot 1 in part

First Reformed Church & Sunday School of College Point
118-09 14th Avenue, Queens
Block 4039, Lot 65

Low Memorial Library Interior
Rotunda and balconies
Columbia University
116th Street & Broadway, Manhattan
Block 1973, Lot 1 in part

American Telephone & Telegraph Company Building
Main Floor Interior
195 Broadway, Manhattan
Block 80, Lot 1

Woolworth Building Interior
Main Floor and Mezzanine
233 Broadway, Manhattan
Block 123, Lot 22

Church of St. Paul and St. Andrew and Rectory
540-550 West End Avenue, Manhattan
Block 1234, Lots 1 and 64

Pershing Square Viaduct
Park Avenue, 40th Street to Grand Central Terminal (42nd Street)
Manhattan

Bronx Grit Chamber
158 Bruckner Boulevard, Bronx
Block 2546, Lot 15

Long Island Historical Society Interior
Entrance Lobby and Reading Room
128 Pierrepont Street, Brooklyn
Block 243, Lot 47

68th Police Precinct Station House and Stable
4302 Fourth Avenue, Brooklyn
Block 728, Lot 36

Coney Island Pumping Station
2301-2327 Neptune Avenue, Brooklyn
Block 6965, Lot 125

Civic Center Historic District, Manhattan

Re: First Reformed Church + School of College Point
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6. Ms Mary McVay — 136-51 37th Ave. Flushing, N.Y. 11354
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LANDMARKS PRESERVATION COMMISSION

305 BROADWAY, NEW YORK, N. Y. 10007

April 23, 1980

Ms. Mary McVay
District Manager
Community Board #7
136-51 37th Avenue
Flushing, New York, 11354

Dear Ms. McVay:

Your letter indicating opposition to the proposed designation of the First Reformed Church and Sunday School of College Point has been added to the permanent record on that item.

Sincerely yours,

Lenore Norman

Lenore Norman
Executive Director

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February 14, 1980

Hon. Kent L. Barwick
Chairman
N.Y.C. Landmark Preservation Commission
305 Broadway
New York, N.Y. 10007

RE: First Reformed Church and
Chapel, College Point, N.Y.

Dear Chairman Barwick:

The subject church is at the present time under consideration for Landmarks Designation.

Based on the recommendations of its Consistory, Community Board #7 wishes to go on record as being opposed to such a designation. The economies involved cannot justify the maintenance of such a structure.

We support the request of the Church that it not be designated for landmark designation.

Sincerely,

Mary McVay

Mary McVay
District Manager, Community Board #7

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c.c. Hon. Donald Manes
Dr. Dorothy Kraemer
Rev. Ronald Vande Bunte

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March 26, 1980

Mr. Kent Barwick
Landmarks Preservation Commission
305 Broadway
New York, New York 10007

Dear Mr. Barwick,

Dorothy Miner has brought to my attention the Landmarks Preservation Commission's consideration of the First Reformed Church and Sunday School buildings at 118-09 Fourteenth Avenue, College Point, Queens, for landmark designation. I am writing to support enthusiastically such a move.

While there may be several wood frame church buildings in New York (although I know of none), we can ill afford, through lack of consideration, to lose or allow to be abused these structures, so unlike most other buildings on which the Commission has here-to-fore deliberated. I was surprised to see these survivals of New York's rural 19th Century character and I find them exactly the sort of historic and architectural link to the past which we should seek out to protect. While not monumental in size, their charming scale, superb detailing and rarity of type are well worth our preservation efforts. I bring to this letter the support of the Metropolitan Chapter Board, the Victorian Society in America, and my own strong feelings in support of designation.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Billie Britz

Mrs. Billie Britz
President
Metropolitan Chapter