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CAMPAIGN TO INCREASE LANDMARKS BUDGET TO BLANKET CITY HALL TOMORROW

Representatives from the Municipal Art Society and nearly 70 other civic and community groups are sponsoring the first annual Preservation Lobby Day on Wednesday, May 9, with a goal of convincing the City Council to increase the budget of the Landmarks Preservation Commission by \$1 million for the coming fiscal year.

At 12:30 p.m. tomorrow, Wednesday, May 9, the groups will gather with council members on the steps of City Hall to rally for the budget increase.

[Click here](#) to read a fact sheet detailing the background of the issue and the critical need to increase the commission's budget. During the morning before the mid-day rally, the MAS and the other organizations will meet with council members individually and in groups to lobby in favor of the budget hike. A supporting campaign of letters, phone calls and e-mails is also underway.

The Municipal Art Society of New York is a private, non-profit membership organization whose mission is to promote a more livable city. Since 1893, the MAS has worked to enrich the culture, neighborhoods and physical design of New York City. It advocates for excellence in urban design and planning, contemporary architecture, historic preservation and public art.

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