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TIFFANY & CO. AND THE TIFFANY & CO. FOUNDATION
AND
CONNIE AND DAVID CLAPP
TO BE HONORED AT PILLAR OF NEW YORK GALA

ALBANY, NY – October 21, 2008 – The Preservation League of New York State will honor **Tiffany & Co. and The Tiffany & Co. Foundation**, philanthropists and stewards of historic buildings in New York, as well as preservation advocates **Connie and David Clapp** with their most prestigious award at its 2008 Pillar of New York Awards gala at the **Waldorf=Astoria in New York City on Wednesday, October 22.**

Since 1992, the Preservation League has presented its Pillar of New York Award to individuals and organizations whose work in the field of historic preservation has made them role models for others throughout the state and nation.

This year the League is honoring Tiffany & Co. and The Tiffany & Co. Foundation, whose philanthropic efforts to support conservation and preservation demonstrates their guiding principle that a successful company has a responsibility to the greater community. “With a history dating back to 1837, Tiffany & Co. embraces New York’s rich industrial tradition, protecting the built environment as well as the natural environment. Likewise, Manhattan’s natural areas and urban green spaces are rare jewels that have been polished and refined through the support of The Tiffany & Co. Foundation,” said Jay DiLorenzo, President of the Preservation League of New York State. “Their commitment to ensure these

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elements from New York's storied past are a part of our sparkling future make Tiffany & Co. and The Tiffany & Co. Foundation true Pillars of New York."

The League will also honor Connie and David Clapp, who have protected the Hudson River Valley's natural and built environments with a combination of bold leadership, ingenuity, and a passion for preservation. According to DiLorenzo, "Through Connie and David's own generosity, as well as their efforts to bring new benefactors to the cause of preservation, countless places that define the special character of the Empire State are receiving strategic attention, extra effort, and new resources to secure their future. Leading by example; managing change to ensure positive results, and passionately supporting those organizations that advance their beliefs are among the qualities that make Connie and David Clapp Pillars of New York."

Past honorees of the League's *Pillar of New York Award* include Phyllis Lambert, the film *Citizen Lambert: Joan of Architecture*, and its director, Teri Wehn Damisch; David Beer and Brennan Beer Gorman / Architects and Brennan Beer Gorman Monk / Interiors; Cook + Fox Architects; Southampton Town Councilman Dennis Suskind; Governor George E. Pataki; developer Frank J. Sciame; Ronald Lauder; the Honorable James R. Houghton; Mrs. Vincent Astor; Peggy and David Rockefeller; architect Hugh Hardy; and Jane Forbes Clark. The League has also previously honored William S. Beinecke, Chairman and Director of the Prospect Hill Foundation; Friends of Hudson; Dia:Beacon, Riggio Galleries; LuEsther T. Mertz Charitable Trust and the Mertz Gilmore Foundation; Chubb Corporation; Cablevision Systems; and the Hilton Hotel Corporation.

The Preservation League of New York State – New York's only statewide historic preservation organization – is dedicated to promoting historic preservation as a tool to revitalize our neighborhoods, honor our heritage, and enrich our lives. As the State's preservation leader, the League seeks to recognize and applaud individuals, organizations and businesses which understand the value of our historic resources and have taken extraordinary actions to protect, preserve and promote those assets.

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