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TECHNICAL POLICY & PROCEDURE NOTICE #1/97

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FROM: Richard C. Visconti, R.A.

DATE: April 28, 1997

SUBJECT: ENLARGEMENTS OF CONVERTED BUILDINGS

Purpose: To establish a uniform interpretation of the Zoning Resolution (Z.R.) regarding the enlargement of existing converted buildings and buildings which are being converted.

Effective: Immediately

Amended: Departmental Memorandum dated October 30, 1981 from Irwin Fruchtman, P.E., Commissioner

Specifics:

1. ENLARGEMENT PURSUANT TO §15-01 Z.R. IN RESIDENCE & COMMERCIAL DISTRICTS

Converted buildings or buildings proposed to be converted to residential use may be enlarged to their maximum permitted floor area provided the <u>new</u> enlarged portion complies with all applicable bulk and use requirements of Article II, Article III and §54-30 of the Zoning Resolution without regard to the existing building's non-compliances in lot coverage, open space, yards, courts or legal windows.

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2. ENLARGEMENT PURSUANT TO §111-02 AND §111-104 Z.R.

Converted buildings or buildings designed for non-residential use and erected prior to December 15, 1961 proposed to be converted to loft dwellings and joint living/work quarters for artists in areas A1 through A4 may be enlarged to their maximum permitted floor area, provided the <u>new</u> enlarged portion complies with the applicable commercial district regulations for a residential building without regard to the existing building's non-compliance in lot coverage, open space, yards, courts or legal windows.

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Enlargements of existing buildings in areas B1 and B2 are not permitted.

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