DC STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE
FEDERAL AGENCY SECTION 106 REVIEW FORM

TO: Todd Satter, General Services Administration

ADDRESS: Via email to: todd.satter@gsa.gov

PROJECT NAME/DESCRIPTION: Installation of New “Waldorf Astoria” Signage

PROJECT ADDRESS/LOCATION DESCRIPTION: Old Post Office, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW

DC SHPO PROJECT NUMBER: 22-0504

The DC State Historic Preservation Office (DC SHPO) has reviewed the above-referenced federal undertaking(s) in accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and has determined:

☐ This project will have **no effect** on historic properties. No further DC SHPO review or comment will be necessary.

☐ There are **no historic properties** that will be affected by this project. No further DC SHPO review or comment will be necessary.

☒ This project will have **no adverse effect** on historic properties. No further DC SHPO review or comment will be necessary.

☐ This project will have **no adverse effect** on historic properties **conditioned upon** fulfillment of the measures stipulated below.

☒ Other Comments / Additional Comments (see below):

Thank you for consulting with the DC SHPO regarding the installation of new signage on the Old Post Office (OPO) to reflect the historic building’s conversion to a “Waldorf Astoria” hotel. Based upon our review of the project submittal and email exchanges with GSA staff and the project architect, we understand that the new signage will be very similar to the existing in terms of size, materials, font, color and other details. We appreciate that the proposed “WA” logo and associated lettering on the Pennsylvania Avenue and 12th Street elevations were reduced slightly in size to create a better proportional relationship with the arched openings into which the signage will be installed. We also appreciate that a consistent font will be used for all building signage. For these and related reasons, we concur with GSA’s determination that this undertaking will have “no adverse effect” on historic properties. Please consult further with us if any changes to the signage plans are proposed. We look forward to working closely with GSA and the new tenant to review future OPO alterations.

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