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Fifth Avenue Penthouse of New York Developer Harvey Auerbach Sells for \$14.95 Million

A Fifth Avenue penthouse owned by the estate of real-estate developer Harvey Auerbach has sold for its full asking price of \$14.95 million.

The 3,572-square-foot, three-bedroom, 4½-bath apartment is on the
23rd floor of a rare prewar condo at the
corner of 86th Street, said listing broker
Carol Staab of Douglas Elliman. The fullfloor unit has protected views of the
Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis Reservoir in
Central Park, Ms. Staab said, as well as
views of the Empire State and Chrysler
buildings and the George Washington
Bridge. Included in the purchase was a
290-square-foot staff quarters on the
building's third floor and two storage
units in the basement.

The founder and chairman of Gold Coast Bank, Mr. Auerbach in the 1970s founded Long Island-based Brookwood Management Co., which owns and manages residential and commercial real-estate properties. He bought the apartment in 2010 for \$10.95 million, according to Ms. Staab.

Mr. Auerbach's children, Steven Auerbach and Nancy Karwick, now run Brookwood. Ms. Staab said after their father's death in 2012, they considered keeping the apartment but ultimately decided not to. According to public records, the family sold Mr. Auerbach's home in Water Mill, N.Y., for \$8.75 million in May.

Ms. Staab declined to name the purchaser of the apartment, but said it sold to an international buyer from Asia who paid all cash.

-Candace Taylor

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