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April 1, 1968

Bishop Torkom Manoogian, Primate Diocese of the Armenian Church of America 630 Second Avenue New York, New York 10016

Your Grace:

This letter is in response to your request for more information concerning Dr. Goekjian.

The resolution to honor him was passed in our Parish Council meeting on January 30, 1968.

The following is a brief biographical sketch of his career -

Dr. Kegham K. Goekjian is the Godfather of the St. Gregory of Narek Armenian Church in Cleveland. He was born in Sis, Cilicia and spent part of his childhood undergoing the hardships of the Armenian massacres.

In 1927 he came to the United States and entered the Colorado State University where in 1931 received a degree in Veterinary Medicine. He is currently practicing in Cleveland and has been since 1934.

Dr. Goekjian is married to the former Miss Florence Kunz and is the father of one sone and two daughters. He has represented Cleveland as the Diocesan delegate for over ten years and has served on the Parish Council for many years. At one time, he was the chairman.

Dr. Goekjian is a gentleman of great personal charm; he is also an individual of exceptional ability and energy. He has won the friendship and respect of this entire community. His is a record of high accomplishment, made possible only by his ability to work with others, his capacity for organization, and his stimulating enthusiasm.

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In addition to his ability and personality, Dr. Goekjian possesses the highest moral qualifications. He is a man of clean habits and fine ideals. He applies to both his business dealings and his personal life the highest of ethical standards and moral values.

There is no man in this community whom we could recommend to you more unreservedly or more enthusiastically.

Sincerely,

Father Arshag Khatchadourian, Parish Priest

Ralph Chakerian, Parish Council Chairman

Samuel Mirakian, Parish Council Secretary

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