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Rev. Father Aved Terzian
Pastor

February 25, 1993

His Eminence Archbishop Khajag Barsamian
Primate and President of the Diocesan Council
Diocese of the Armenian Church of America
600 Second Avenue
New York, N.Y. 10016

Your Eminence:

The enclosed letter of objection from Garabed Hovhanesian, a member of the Church of Our Saviour (Worcester) is forwarded to Your Eminence, as required by Paragraph 20 of the By-Laws of the Armenian Church of America.

I offer the following for your consideration in this matter: Enclosed is a copy of the invitation to the Annual Assembly as required by Paragraph 16 of said By-Laws, as well as a copy of the sample ballot, sent to all members with a statement from the Nominating Committee regarding the submitted slate on the back of the sample ballot. Also enclosed is a copy of the Agenda and the proposed budget.

Further, I would like to state that the minutes of the meeting will show that a quorum was present when the meeting was called to order and that a quorum was present throughout the meeting.

As to the legality of the ballot, I am confident that the failure to obtain a full slate did not result from a lack of sincere effort on the part of the Nominating Committee, nor the refusal of any nominees offered from the floor. There were several who declined their nomination but neither the officers of the Assembly, the Nominating Committee, nor the Assembly itself refused to accept any candidate's name. After a motion to close the nominations was approved by the Assembly, the Assembly voted by a greater than two-thirds majority, to accept the ballot (copy enclosed) as amended, - *with full knowledge of the Diocesan By-Laws.*

In view of the above, I feel that the actions of the 1993 Annual Parish Assembly should be taken into consideration. It should be noted, that the *only* objection received in this regard - was that which is enclosed. We await the response of the Diocesan Council,

Your humble servant,

Reverend Father Aved Terzian
Pastor

Enclosures



Armenian Church of Our Saviour

Annual Parish Assembly

Sunday, February 21, 1993 at 11:00 a.m.
In the Church Cultural Center
Snow Date: February 28, 1993

Please note: Divine Liturgy will begin at 10:00 a.m.
and will end at 11:00 a.m.
There will be no Requiem Service on this day.

AGENDA

1. Opening Prayer
2. Election of Assembly Chairman and Secretary
3. Adoption of the Agenda
4. Report of Nominating Committee and Election of Parish Council, Nominating and Auditing Committees. (*Voting will take place only after nominations have been closed. Those eligible to participate are entitled to one ballot which must be cast in person.*)
5. 1992 Annual Assembly Minutes
6. Annual Report of the Pastor
7. Annual Report of the Parish Council
8. Auditing Committee Report
9. Annual Reports of Church Organizations
10. Adoption of 1993 Operating Budget
11. Old Business
12. New Business

(a) Other matters may be considered by majority vote of the Parish Assembly

13. Benediction

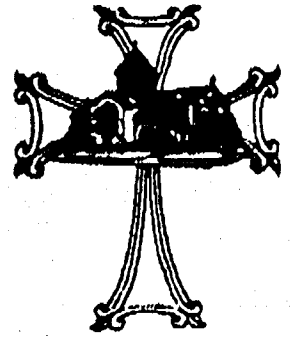
Fr. Aved Terzian
Pastor and President of the Parish Council

Jenev Sanda
Secretary of the Parish Council

Gilbert Markarian
Chairman of the Parish Council

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February 11, 1993

Dear Member:

In accordance with the By-Laws of the Armenian Church of America (Eastern Diocese), all dues paying members of the Armenian Church of Our Saviour are hereby invited to participate in the Annual Parish Assembly to be held on Sunday, February 21, 1993 at 11:00 a.m. in the Cultural Center immediately following the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy.

All persons 18 years of age and over, may participate in assemblies of the Parish and may vote provided that at least six months have elapsed since the date of their registration as members of the Parish and their 1992 dues have been paid. Members may make payment of outstanding dues on the day of the Assembly to remain a member in good standing. Any question of eligibility may be referred to the Parish Council Secretary and Treasurer.

Voting will take place after the Nominating Committee's report has been accepted by the Assembly at approximately 11:30 a.m. and will close at exactly 12:45 p.m. All voting must be in person. During voting hours, all candidates and parishioners are requested to leave the voting area after they have cast their individual ballots. A luncheon will be served after Church Services between 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m.

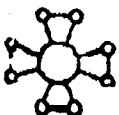
The complete 1992 Reports are available at the Church Office.

Prayerfully,

Rev. Fr. Aved Terzian
Pastor and Parish Council President

Jenev Sanda
Secretary, Parish Council

Gilbert Markarian
Chairman, Parish Council



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4 Dennis Drive
Worcester Ma. 01606-2410
February 22, 1993

Rev. Father Aved Terzian
Pastor, Armenian Church of Our Saviour
87 Salisbury St.
Worcester Ma 01609

Subject: 1993 Annual Assembly, elections

Dear Father Terzian:

On February 21, 1993, The Church of Our Saviour convened its Annual Assembly.

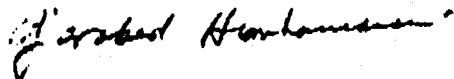
The nomination slate did not have the required minimum number of candidates: for Parish council 6 less than the 10 required; for nominating committee 5 less than the 10 required; Diocesan delegates, 2 less than the 12 required; Auditing committee 4 less than the 4 required; and the Endowment committee, two less than the 2 required.

Fully 19 out of the 36 places or 53% of the ballot had no names. There were approximately 123 members present out of the 512 eligible as of 12/31/92. This meant that 24 % of the membership would be voting on 53% of the ballot, assuming that all vacant positions on the ballot were filled by floor nominations of persons present and accepting nominations in person. As it turned out, only 6 floor nominations were added, one of which was done by proxy since he was not present at the time; he appeared later by some miracle.

There was an attempt to technically "legalize" the proceedings. At this time I voiced my objection stating, from the floor, that the ballot was illegal and therefore null and void.

I hereby re-affirm my conviction that the ballot was illegal and so were the votes taken. I trust that this letter of objection will be forwarded by the Pastor to the Diocesan Council per Article 20 of the Diocesan By-Laws. I also request that I be copied for the response by the Diocesan Council.

Very truly yours



Garabed Hovhannesian

A Message from the Nominating Committee:

Although we have tried to fill the slate for the upcoming parish elections, to be held on Sunday, February 21, 1993, we have been unable to do so. Reluctantly, we submit this ballot, for your examination, and hope that on the day of the Assembly, nominations will be received from the floor, to fulfill our requirements, according to our Diocesan By-Laws, which states as follows: *"The Nominating Committee shall prepare lists of candidates, at least double the number of vacancies for the election of the Parish Council, Auditing Committee, officers of the Annual Parish Assembly, subsequent Nominating Committee and Diocesan Delegates."*

Rose Gularian, Chairman
Jennie Barsamian
Helen Torigian

Mary Atamian
Charles Sharigian

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1993 Sample Ballot

(SEE OTHER SIDE ALSO)

1993 Parish Council Candidates (Vote up to 5 names)

1P	Alma Der Kazarian
2P	Agnes Sahagian
3P	Jenev Sanda
4P	Archie Torosian
5P	
6P	
7P	
8P	
9P	
10P	

1993 Diocesan Delegate Candidates (Vote up to 6 names)

1D	Seth Bilazarian
2D	Thomas Garabedian
3D	Gary Hovhanesian
4D	Rose Houmere
5D	Suney Kachadoorian
6D	George Migridichian
7D	Francis Najarian
8D	Jerry Stepanian
9D	Arthur Yagjian
10D	Asbed Zakarian
11D	
12D	

1993 Nominating Committee Candidates (Vote up to 5 names)

1N	Bryan Davis
2N	Kay Garabedian
3N	Charlie Hoogasian
4N	Jan Mikitarian
5N	Ann Pogharian
6N	
7N	
8N	
9N	
10N	

1993 Auditing Committee Candidates (Vote up to 2 names)

1A	
2A	
3A	
4A	

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1993 Ballot

1993 Parish Council Candidates (Vote up to 5 names)

1P	Alma Der Kazarian
2P	Agnes Sahagian
3P	Jeney Sanda
4P	Archie Torosian
5P	Marty Mooshagian
6P	Andy Surabian
7P	
8P	
9P	
10P	

1993 Diocesan Delegate Candidates (Vote up to 6 names)

1D	Seth Bilazarian
2D	Thomas Garabedian
3D	Gary Hovhanesian
4D	Rose Houmère
5D	Suney Kachadoorian
6D	George Migridichian
7D	Francis Najarian
8D	Jerry Stepanian
9D	Arthur Yagjian
10D	Asbed Zakarian
11D	Robert Shamgochian
12D	Scott Najarian

1993 Nominating Committee Candidates (Vote up to 5 names)

1N	Bryan Davis
2N	Kay Garabedian
3N	Charlie Hoogasian
4N	Jan Mikitarian
5N	Ann Pogharian
6N	
7N	
8N	
9N	
10N	

1993 Auditing Committee Candidates (Vote up to 2 names)

1A	Arthur Surabian
2A	Mark Pogharian
3A	
4A	

1993 Proposed Budget

Income

Pledges Collected	\$ 71,000.00
Plate Collection	5,000.00
Sunday School Plate Collection	1,000.00
Youghakin	17,000.00
Hokehankist	14,000.00
Altar Flowers	1,500.00
Momakin	2,500.00
In Lieu of Flowers	25,000.00
Service Fees - Bingo	12,500.00
Service Fees - Church Hall	500.00
Service Fees - Cultural Center	500.00
Service Fees - N.E. Region	1,200.00
Weddings	1,000.00
Memorial Biographies	500.00
Gifts	4,000.00
Transfer Account	35,000.00
Interest/Dividend Income	60,000.00
Investment-Realized Gains/Loss	25,000.00
Church Function - Picnic	4,000.00
Church Function - Harvest Fair	20,000.00
Church Function - Rug Sale	7,500.00
Miscellaneous Income	2,500.00
Total Operating Income	\$311,200.00
Transfer from Interest Earned Prior Years	7,635.00
Total Income Received	\$318,835.00

Expenses

Clergy Stipend	\$ 35,183.00
Clergy Rental Allowance	19,300.00
Clergy Auto Allowance	2,000.00
Clergy Auto Insurance	995.00
Clergy Health Insurance	7,525.00
Clergy Disability Insurance	1,800.00
Clergy Pension	2,000.00
Assistant to Pastor - Stipend	17,621.00
Assistant to Pastor - Housing Allowance	7,200.00
Assistant to Pastor Auto Exp/Insurance	1,048.00
Assistant to Pastor Gas/Auto Maint	1,000.00
Assistant to Pastor - Health Insurance	5,325.00
Payroll - Secretaries	18,000.00
Payroll - Bookkeeping	7,750.00
Payroll - Custodial	30,208.00
Outside Accounting	1,100.00
Visiting Clergy Expense	1,000.00
Honorarium - Choir Director	1,960.00
Honorarium - Organist	2,500.00
Honorarium - Soloist	1,000.00
Honorarium - Deacons	750.00
Sunday School Program	3,000.00
Armenian Language School	250.00
Youth Activities Programs	1,000.00
Choir Convention	1,000.00
Diocesan Assembly	5,000.00
Diocesan Assessment	40,000.00
Ecumenical Council	300.00
Etchmiadzin Looma	1,000.00
Pastor's Discretionary Fund	1,000.00
Payroll Taxes Expense	9,500.00
Insurance - Employee Health Care	2,450.00
Insurance - Workman's Comp	2,000.00
Insurance - Real Estate/Per. Prop.	6,500.00
Auto Repairs - Pastor Car	750.00
Parish Car Replacement Fund	2,500.00
Other Employee Car Expense	200.00
Altar/Church Supplies	2,000.00
Altar Flowers	1,500.00
Church Functions/Religious Misc.	1,500.00
Heating - Gas	17,000.00
Water	1,000.00
Electric	9,000.00
Telephone/Cable	4,250.00
Building Maintenance - Gen./Lic.	3,500.00
Building Maintenance - Electric	300.00
Building Maintenance - Heating	250.00
Building Maintenance - Plumbing	750.00
Building Equipment Maint./Repairs	1,500.00
Rubbish Removal	2,500.00
Building Maintenance - Elevator	2,520.00
Capital Expenditures - Building	2,000.00
Capital Expenditures - Equipment	9,000.00
Building Supplies	6,000.00
Office Supplies and Printing	6,000.00
Messenger Printing	2,000.00
Office Equipment Maint. and Repairs	1,600.00
Postage	3,000.00
Interest Expense - SBA Loan	750.00
Miscellaneous Expense	2,000.00
Memorial Endowment Committee	1,000.00
Total Expenditures:	\$318,835.00