St. John The Divine Armenian Apostolic Church

SPRINGFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS

October 7, 1971

Mr. Jack Antreassian, Executive Secretary Diocese of the Armenian Church of America 630 Second Avenue New York, N. Y. 10016

Dear Mr. Antreassian:

The Central New England regional Executive Committee of the Worcester, Providence, Hartford, Springfield and New Britain Armenian churches met tonight in Springfield and determined its course of action to raise the Central New England Region's share of the \$60,000 deficit of the 1971 Diocesan budget.

It is the decision of this Committee that a letter, signed by the Primate, be sent to the five churches, for distribution by these churches to their members. The letter would have to explain the financial difficulties experienced by the Diocesan Council with an appeal to the individual parishioners to contribute as generously as possible to help defray the deficit. A master copy of the letter to each parish priest would facilitate matters of duplication and distribution, with the understanding that each letter bear the name of the parish that it is sent to.

It has also been decided that the Diocesan letter would be sent to the members of the parishes with a cover letter, signed by the Parish Council, urging parishioners to make every effort to help underwrite the Diocesan deficit. Every effort will be made to raise the necessary share of the deficit.

With every good wishes in your God-pleasing endeavours,

Sincerely yours,

Arthur Simonian, Chairman

Executive Committee

Central New England Region

cc: Worcester, Providence, Hartford, Springgfield, New Britain