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July 27, 1971

Mr. Haig Tashjian
c/o Sterling Regal Engraving Co.
304 East 45th Street
New York, New York 10017

Dear Haig:

I hope this letter finds you in good health, at least. As you may have heard, I suffered a heart attack last December 31 and am now in the process of recovering.

Since Father Levon Arakelian terminated his assignment to the Cathedral Building Committee, the task of following-up on the pledges has fallen upon the shoulders of Haik Kavookjian and me.

In April of 1968, on the occasion of the consecration of the Cathedral, in memory of your father, you became the Godfather of the Hatchkar for St. Thomas and pledged on that occasion \$10,000.00, payable in 4 equal annual installments. We gave you a credit of \$1,000.00 for 2 tickets which you purchased for the Consecration Banquet, leaving a balance of \$9,000.00 towards which we received \$2,500.00 in 1968. We received no payments in 1969, 1970 or todate in 1971.

I did not write to you last year because I knew you had large expenditures in connection with the wedding of your lovely daughter. This year is another year.

I know that economic conditions have not been good for most of us, and for some of us real bad. On the other hand, the Church undertook huge financial responsibilities (\$12,000.00 a month mortgage payments) relying on these pledges.

I am happy to say that with practically no exception, all of the Hatchkar Genkahayrs have honored their pledges todate. May I ask you very sincerely to make out a check to the order of the Diocese of the Armenian Church of America, for

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\$2,500.00 and mail it either to me at my above address,
or directly to Mr. Haik Kavookjian at:

860 U.N. Plaza
New York, New York

I hope you will respond to this letter.

With kindest personal regards, I remain,

Sincerely,

