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June 6, 1978

His Eminence
Archbishop Torkom Manoogian
Primate, Diocese of the Armenian Church
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Surpazan Hayr:

The Parish Council of St. John's and myself would like to express our thanks to Your Eminence for Your suggestion of Fr. Garen Gdanian and Fr. Arsen Barsamian as possible candidates for the position of Assistant Pastor of St. John's Armenian Church.

I have written to both clergymen asking for their biographies and an outline of accomplishments, with the suggestion that they provide us with possible dates for personal meetings and interviews.

With the concurrence of the Parish Council I would like to remind Your Eminence that during the luncheon-meeting we had with Your Eminence on Your most recent visit to Detroit, we expressed the desire to have a Vartabed to be appointed as Assistant Pastor to Detroit, with further expectation that a student Vartabed also will be assigned to our parish.

We are hopeful that bearing the above in mind Your Eminence will be making further suggestions for an Assistant Pastor, and will be persuing the assignment of a student priest to St. John's.

Thanking you for your concern *PA* the well being of our Parish, I remain,

Respectfully yours,

Fr. Paren Avedikian
Father Paren Avedikian
Pastor

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