

July 9, 1962

Dr. Kegham Geokjian  
Chairman, Parish Council  
18801 So. Woodland Rd.  
Shaker Heights, Ohio

Dear Dr. Geokjian:

In response to Mr. Chakarian's letter of June 26, 1962 and your request, you are advised that the Diocesan Council resolved, to obtain a \$55,000.00 loan from the Cleveland Trust Co. for 12 years at 5½% annual interest to be used for the construction of the new church for our Cleveland Parish.

The Diocesan Council also resolved to delegate you and Mr. Ralph Chakarian, as Chairman of the Parish Council and Chairman of the Building Committee, to obtain the said loan from the Cleveland Trust Company and also authorized both of you to sign the checks and orders in connection with the disbursement of the said loan for the construction of the Cleveland Church.

Enclosed, please find a certificate which is signed by us and the Chairman and Secretary of the Diocesan Council.

With paternal blessings,

SION ARCHBISHOP  
Primate of the Diocese of the Armenian  
Church of America

CERTIFIED COPY OF RESOLUTION

OF THE DIOCESAN COUNCIL AND THE DIOCESAN BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The undersigned hereby certifies that he is the duly elected, qualified, and acting officer of the corporation or organization identified below and that the following is a true and correct copy of a resolution duly adopted in conformity with the constitution and by-laws and/or governing rules and regulations of said corporation or organization at a duly called meeting, proper notice thereof having been given pursuant to its constitution and/or by-laws, regulations and/or governing rules and the statutes of the state of Ohio, a quorum being present; that said resolution is in full force and effect; and that the action authorized thereunder is permissible under, conforms to, and does not contravene or violate the rules and regulations of any parent or national organization, if any, of which said corporation or organization is a member or affiliate.

RESOLVED: That a mortgage loan be obtained from The Cleveland Trust Company upon the terms set forth below; that the officers hereinafter named be, and they hereby are, authorized to execute and deliver to The Cleveland Trust Company a promissory note evidencing the loan and to execute, acknowledge and deliver to The Cleveland Trust Company as security for said loan and in the form required by the Bank a mortgage deed describing the premises set forth below:

Terms: Original amount \$55,000.00, to mature in 12 years, payable at the rate of \$550 per month, including principal and interest at the rate of 5-1/2% per annum and in the event of default interest to be at the rate of 8% per annum.

Officers to sign:

Name	Title
Very Rev. Elisha Simonian	Chairman, Diocesan Council
Frank G. Sotian	Secretary, Diocesan Council

Purpose of loan: To finance the construction of a new church.

Premises: As described in Exhibit A attached hereto and made a part hereof.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the officers heretofore mentioned be, and they hereby are, empowered to do any and all things necessary to procure the mortgage loan, to execute any and all papers incidental thereto, and to make payment for any and all fees and expenses incidental to obtaining the loan, and to secure the proceeds of said loan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the following officer or any one of the following officers be, and hereby is, authorized to sign checks and/or any other orders which said Bank may require in connection with the disbursement of the loan proceeds.

Name	Title
Arthur Keghan Gookjian	Chairman, Parish Council
Ralph Chakerian	Chairman, of the Building Committee of Cleveland Arm. Church

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That a certified copy of this resolution be lodged with The Cleveland Trust Company and said Bank be and is hereby authorized to rely thereon.

Date

July 7, 1962

<i>Frank G. Sotian</i>	President
<i>Elisha H. Simonian</i>	Chairman

(Title) *Frank G. Sotian* Secy  
 Diocese of the Armenian Apostolic Church  
 of ~~North~~ America  
 (Corporation or organization)

"EXHIBIT A"

Situated in the Village of Richmond Heights, County of Cuyahoga and State of Ohio: and known as being part of Original Euclid Township Lot No. 35, Tract No. 5, and bounded and described as follows:

Beginning on the Westerly line of Richmond Road, 60 feet wide, at its intersection with the Northerly line of land conveyed to W. E. Wilder by deed dated September 24, 1862 and recorded in Volume 115, page 507 of Cuyahoga County Records; thence Westerly along the Northerly line of land so conveyed, 646.10 feet to the Southwesterly corner of the 2nd parcel of land conveyed to Florence M. Wedler by deed dated October 4, 1909 and recorded in Volume 1268, page 271 of Cuyahoga County Records; thence Northerly along the Westerly line of Parcel No. 2 so conveyed, 451 feet to the Northwesterly corner thereof; thence Easterly along the Northerly line of Parcel No. 2 so conveyed to Florence M. Wedler, 646.10 feet to the Westerly line of Richmond Road; thence Southerly along the Westerly line of Richmond Road, 451 feet to the place of beginning, be the same more or less but subject to all legal highways.

Թիւ 4445  
Յուլիս 5, 1962

Մեծայարգ  
Տիար Տրանք Զօթեան  
Ատենադպիր Թեմական Խորհուրդի  
Թանըրգվիլ. Նիւ Եորք.

Յարգելի Պրն. Զօթեան,

Առջնորդ Սրբազան Հօր հրահանգով այսու ներքակ Ձեզի կը  
ղրկենք Գլխվէնտի Հայաստանեայց Եկեղեցւոյ Եինութեան Յանձնարում-  
քի ատենապետ Պրն. Ռալֆ Զաքարեանի եւ Գլխվէնտ Թրոսթ Բրմբընիի  
փաստաբան Մր. Ռապրթ Ճ. Մարգուարի նամակները՝ ի մասին 55.000  
տոլարի փոխառութեան /մօրթիւյն/ հինգ ու կէս առ հարիւր տոկոսով  
եւ տասներհինգ տարուան շրջանով:

Անցնող Յունիս 28ի համար հրահրուած Թեմական Խորհուր-  
դի ժողովը չգումարուեցաւ՝ մեծամասնութիւն չըլլալուն պատճառով,  
սակայն ներկաները--Տ. Եղիշէ Ծ. Վրդ. Սիմոնեան, Պրնք. Ճօրն Պաշեան  
եւ Երուանդ Համբար--նորին Սրբազնութեան հետ խորհրդակցաբար յանձ-  
նարարեցին Գլխվէնտի Հայց. Եկեղեցւոյ համայնքի եկեղեցաշինական  
նպատակով ըլլալից վերոյիշեալ փոխառութիւնը հաստատել յանուն Թե-  
մական Խորհուրդին, տրուած ըլլալով որ Գլխվէնտի եկեղեցապատկան  
կալուածք արձանագրուած է Առաջնորդարանի անունին, եւ նոր եկեղեց-  
ւոյ շինութիւնը պէտք է սկսի շուտով:

Հանեցէք ուսումնասիրել վերոյիշեալ երկու նամակները եւ  
փոխառութեան պայմանագիրը ու վերջնոյն վրայ՝ Ձեր անունին դիմաց  
ստորագրելով՝ առաջին պատեհութեամբ վերադարձնել Առաջնորդարան,  
որպէս զի Առաջնորդ Սրբազանի եւ Թեմական Խորհուրդի ատենապետի  
կողմէ եւս ստորագրուելով զրկուի Գլխվէնտի Եկեղեցւոյ Միական  
Խորհուրդին, ի գործադրութիւն:

Մնամ խորին յարգանք

Սուրէն Մանուէլեան  
Դիւանապետ

Թիւ 4404  
Յունիս 15, 1962

Բարեշնորհ  
Ներսէս Սարկաւազ Ճէպէճեան  
Հոգեւոր Մատակարար Գլխավէնտի  
Հայաստանեայց Եկեղեցւոյ Համայնքին

Սիրելի Տիրացու Ներսէս,

Առաջնորդ Արքայան Հայրը Տիար Ռիչըրտ Գ. Կրէկոսի միջոցաւ  
ստացած է Ձեր համայնքին փաստաբանի կողմէ ամսոյս 6 թուակօնաւ գըր-  
ուած նամակ մը փոխառութեան մը վերաբերեալ:

Նորին Արքայութիւնը սոյն հարցի մասին ոչ Ձեզմէ եւ ոչ ալ  
պատուարժան Միակն խորհուրդէն իմացած է նախապէս, հետեւաբար կը  
փափաքի որպէս զի պաշտօնագրով մը բացատրէք մանրամասնութիւններ:

Առ ի տեղեկութիւն աւելցնենք, թէ մեր թեմի ծուխերը ընդ-  
հանրապէս իրենց միջոցներով փոխառութիւն /մօրթկէյն/ կ'առնեն երբ  
անհրաժեշտ ըլլայ: Այսինքն Առաջնորդարանը այդ տեսակ փոխառութեան  
երաշխիք տալէ աւելի՝ կը հաստատէ շատ շատ ըլլալիք այդ գործողու-  
թիւնը:

Ուրեմն, հաճեցէք առաջին պատահութեամբ՝ խորհրդակցիլ պատ-  
ուարժան Միակն խորհուրդիդ հետ եւ արդիւնքը հաղորդել Նորին Ար-  
քայութեան կարելի փութով:

Ձեզի մաղթելով կարողութիւն եւ յաջողութիւն.

Մնամ խորին յարգանքօք

Սուրէն Մանուէլեան  
Դիւանապետ

RICHARD K. GREGORY

ATTORNEY AND COUNSELOR AT LAW

ROOM 401  
ONE PARK AVENUE, NEW YORK 16, N. Y.  
MURRAY HILL 3-8160

June 8, 1962

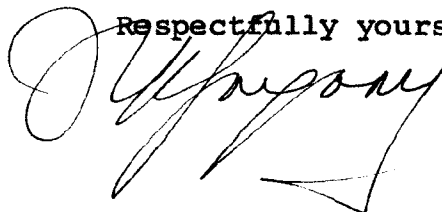
Archbishop Sion Manoogian  
Diocese of the Armenian Church of America  
630 Second Avenue  
New York 16, New York

Your Grace:

I received the enclosed letter from The Cleveland Trust Company dated June 6, 1962, with respect to a proposed loan to the "Diocese of the Armenian Apostolic Church of North America".

I assume this was sent to me in my supposed capacity as counsel for the Diocese. In view of the fact that I no longer hold that responsibility, I suggest that these documents be turned over to your new counsel.

Respectfully yours,



RKG:edp  
Encls.

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# The Cleveland Trust Company

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CLEVELAND, OHIO

June 6, 1962

Mr. Richard K. Gregory  
c/o The Royal Metal Manufacturing Corporation  
1 Park Avenue  
New York 16, New York

Dear Mr. Gregory:

Proposed Loan to: Diocese of the Armenian Apostolic  
Church of North America  
Premises to be Occupied by: Armenian Apostolic Church  
of Cleveland, Richmond Heights, Ohio

I am writing in regard to the real estate mortgage loan which has been requested by the Armenian Apostolic Church of Cleveland covering premises located on Richmond Road, Richmond Heights, Ohio. Title to this property is vested in the Diocese of the Armenian Apostolic Church of North America and it is our understanding that under the By-Laws of the Diocese any conveyance or mortgage of real property of the Diocese may be made only by the majority vote of the Diocesan Council and the Diocesan Board of Trustees assembled in a joint meeting presided over by the Archbishop.

Accordingly, our note and mortgage will have to be signed by the Diocese and we will need a resolution of the Council and Board of Trustees approving the terms of the loan and authorizing the execution of the mortgage. I enclose herewith copy of our form resolution, to which I have added the terms of the loan, and this resolution will serve as a guide as to what we desire to have included in any resolution that is passed.

In regard to the parties who are to sign the note and mortgage, the local church would like to know whether the Diocese can delegate local representatives to sign on behalf of the Diocese. In regard to the checks for the disbursement of the loan proceeds, it will be necessary that parties from the local church be authorized to sign same.

Since we do not have a copy of the By-Laws of the Diocese we would like to have a statement from you as attorney for the Diocese, to accompany the resolution, that the approval of the Council and Board of Trustees and the authorization of the named parties to sign the note, mortgage, and checks are all in accordance with the provisions of the By-Laws and Regulations of the Diocese and no further approvals or authorizations are necessary in

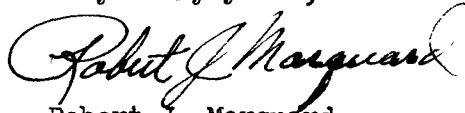
June 6, 1962

Mr. Richard K. Gregory  
New York, N. Y.

regard to the proposed encumbrance. The church is quite anxious to proceed with construction, however it is necessary that we obtain the necessary authorization for the loan.

I wish you would check this matter with the Diocese and also examine the By-Laws and before proceeding with the resolutions telephone me at the number listed below so that we can be sure that we have covered all of the necessary matters and will have all of the required papers.

Very truly yours,



Robert J. Marquard  
Attorney

Main 1-1600 - Ext. 256

RJM:fw  
AIR MAIL



  
  
June 26, 1962

Archbishop Sion Manoogian, Primate  
Diocese of the Armenian Apostolic Church of America  
630 Second Avenue  
New York 16, N. Y.

Supreme Grace:

A general Parish meeting was held on May 20, 1962 at our Parish house in Cleveland. The purpose of the meeting was to obtain approval to award the construction contract of our church to the lowest bidder, Huml Construction Co., and to proceed to negotiate for a loan from the Cleveland Trust Co. The above resolution was passed without a dissenting vote. Reverend Father Dajad Davidian and Deacon Nerses Jebejian were present at this meeting.

A joint committee of the Cleveland Parish Council and Building Committee proceeded to fill out the various forms and negotiate with the bank to obtain a loan. The amount of the loan would be the difference between the actual cash on hand and the amount of the construction cost. The church construction cost is \$81,000 and the cash on hand is \$31,000. Therefore, a \$55,000 loan for 12 years at  $5\frac{1}{2}$  per cent annual interest was applied for with the Cleveland Trust Co.

The only item that is delaying our obtaining the loan is the legal technicality of the Diocese Council and Board of Trustees in New York passing a Resolution approving the mortgage loan and to delegate Cleveland representatives to act for the Diocese in signing disbursement checks as they are needed during construction.

The loan from the bank must be in the name of the Diocese of the Armenian Apostolic Church of America since it is the legal owner of the Cleveland Church property. The only way the loan can be in the Cleveland Diocese name would be for the Deed and Title to the property to be transferred to our name in Cleveland. Since this is evidently not possible due to the By-Laws of our Church Constitution, it will be necessary for the Diocese officials in New York to sign the Resolution for the loan and also to delegate Cleveland representatives to act for the Diocese in signing the disbursement checks. This last part is necessary so that the process of paying the Construction Company can be done in a quick and practical manner.

Mr. Robert J. Marquard, the legal attorney for the Cleveland Trust Co., sent an air mail letter on June 6, 1962 to Mr. Richard Gregory explaining these facts. I understand that you have this letter and the Resolution forms to be signed as required by the bank. If you have any questions concerning the Resolution forms, the matter of delegating local representatives to act for the Diocese, or if this conflicts in any way with the By-Laws of our Church Constitution, please call Mr. Marquard as he requested in his letter. He can be reached at the Cleveland Trust Co. Legal Department, the telephone number is MAin 1-1600.

June 26, 1962

Further delay in this matter will endanger our chances of obtaining the bank loan. The 30-day period on the construction bid submitted by the Huml Construction Co. has already expired. However, we feel that we can obtain a short extension on this time.

Your immediate actions on these matters would be greatly appreciated by your loyal and devoted worshipers in Cleveland. We in Cleveland have waited a long time to build our own church. You are certainly aware of all the trial and tribulations that have fallen on this community through the years.

May we pray to God that we can quickly complete this matter and begin construction of our Church so it can stand as a symbol to unite and strengthen our people through the years.

Faithfully yours,

*Ralph Chakerian*

Ralph Chakerian,  
Chairman of the Building Committee for the  
Cleveland Armenian Apostolic Church