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Mrs. Robert M. Bogdasarian
Box 62, R. D. 7
Binghamton, New York 13903

Jan 6, 1980

Dear Father George -

I am writing at the direction of Kenneth Kradjian, who is visiting us this evening in Hawaii. He asks that I write to tell you that he has agreed that the Post Crane property should be sold. Please read this letter to the congregation at the January 27th Parish assembly so that all may be informed of his decision.

We and the Kradjians wish you the best of good fortune in your new community and much happiness in the future.

Sincerely

Carol Bogdasarian

K. Kradjian

H. Kradjian

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DIOCESE OF THE ARMENIAN CHURCH OF AMERICA, 630 SECOND AVENUE, NEW YORK, N. Y. 10016 212 686-0710

ARCHBISHOP TORKOM MANOOGIAN, PRIMATE

December 28, 1979

The Reverend Father Kevork Arakelian
Pastor, St. Gregory The Illuminator Armenian Church
12 Corbett Avenue
Binghamton, New York 13903

Dear Father Kevork:

We write to express to the parish of St. Gregory The Illuminator Armenian Church our deepest gratitude for the generosity in support of the Cambodian Relief Fund of our Diocese. President Carter recently referred to the Cambodian tragedy as 'the third Holocaust of our century.'

Our nation was the first in modern times to fall victim to the crime of Genocide, as the President has noted, but your generosity attests to our resurgence and to the victorious strength of the spirit of Christ in us. May God shed His abundant blessings on the faithful and generous Christian Armenian people, and grant you and your loved ones a New Year full of good health and joy.

In this season of the Nativity and Theophany of Our Lord Jesus Christ, may peace reign on earth, amongst men of good will.

Prayerfully,

Abp. Torkom Manoogian
Archbishop Torkom Manoogian
Primate

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ARCHBISHOP TORKOM MANOOGIAN, PRIMATE

December 21, 1979

The Reverend Father Kevork Arakelian
Pastor and President of Parish Council
St. Gregory The Illuninator Armenian Church
12 Corbett Avenue
Binghamton, New York 13903

Dear Father Kevork:

The Diocesan Council would like to express their appreciation to you and your entire Parish Council for the prompt payment of your monthly assessments during 1979. At times it would have been extremely difficult to even meet payroll were it not for these payments.

I have enclosed a copy of the letter that has been mailed recently to all delinquent Parishes. The accounts receivable from these Parishes has hovered around \$100,000 to \$120,000 during the past four months. It has been impossible to achieve any financial stability under these circumstances. In this same period, the accounts payable have been about \$65,000. We hope you agree with us that this situation must be corrected.

Every effort is being made in New York to cut expenses and increase income. A very thorough review of all rental contracts, maintenance and utility costs has begun. A more aggressive program to rent Kavookjian Hall at rates that will recover all overhead has been instituted. Several new fund raising projects are being planned for 1980 that will, hopefully, raise money for general operations. These projects, with the ongoing Pacesetter contributions and Raffle should cover the 1980 deficit.

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The National accounting firm of Alexander Grant has been engaged to prepare the annual Review. The bookkeeping department has been upgraded so that detailed accounts will be available each month. This, of course, has increased expenses in that department but will in the long run prove to be well worth it.

The Diocesan Council and the administrative staff have given considerable time to planning for a financially improved year in 1980. However, since the assessments cover almost half the budget, a more responsible attitude on the part of Parishes is imperative.

Again, we thank you for leading the way. Your support and commitment to the Diocese is most appreciated.

Respectfully,



Louise Simone
Treasurer

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Enclosure