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HOLY CROSS ARMENIAN CHURCH

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Very Rev. Fr. Vazken Karayan

April 15, 1998

His Eminence Archbishop Khajag Barsamian
Primate
Armenian Diocese
630 Second Avenue
New York, New York 10016

Your Grace:

We received your letter of April 7, 1998 regarding the deficiencies in our 1997 Annual Report. Please accept the following in response to the specific points.

1. We understand your concerns and will abide by the requirements of Diocesan Bylaw 14B. You should recognize that in a small parish such as ours it is difficult to find willing and qualified candidates.
2. Regarding Bylaw 14F, we submit the following solution instead of a Special Assembly. Those elected Gladys Abahoonie, Satenig Karagosian and Armen Kalbian have accepted 3, 2 and 1 year terms, respectively.
3. In response to the missing information, please find attached revised copies of pages 4, 6 and 13.

Due to our hectic schedule of cultural, social and religious activities, it is extremely difficult to have a special parish assembly. We are confident that Your Eminence will be kind enough to understand the circumstances.

Please be assured that we will make every effort to comply with all the Diocesan Bylaws and procedures.

We sincerely hope that your response will serve to bring Holy Cross in compliance with your letter. We look forward to your approval of our elections.

Prayerfully yours,

Fr. Vazken Karayan
Pastor

1997 PARISH ASSESSMENT DATA

I. 1997 Membership 95

II. Number of Clergy 1

III. Gross PCP

Membership dues \$ 4,750.00

Pledges _____

Plate Collection _____

Easter Yughakin 5,705.00

Christmas Yughakin 4,300.00

TOTAL \$ 14,755.00

IV. Number of Sacraments and Sacramentals:

Baptisms 1

Chrismations 0

Engagements 0

Weddings 0

Funerals 9

V. Number of Delegates: 2

We hereby certify that the above information is accurate to the best of our knowledge and information.



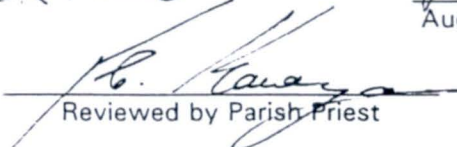
Parish Council Chairman



Parish Council Treasurer



Auditing Committee Chairman



Reviewed by Parish Priest

THE ABOVE FIGURES MUST COINCIDE WITH THOSE SPECIFIED ON FINANCIAL REPORT SECTION I (PAGES 6-7) AND THE MEMBERSHIP DATA SHEET (PAGE 3).

**FINANCIAL REPORT – SECTION I – INCOME (ENDING 12/31/97)
PARISH COUNCIL OPERATING ACCOUNT**

A. Receipts and Donations

1. Membership Dues	\$	<u>4,750.00</u>
2. Pledges	\$	<u> </u>
3. Stewardship	\$	<u> </u>
4. Plate Collection	\$	<u> </u>
5. Candles	\$	<u> </u>
6. Easter Yughakin	\$	<u>5,100.00</u>
7. Christmas Yughakin	\$	<u>3,275.00</u>
8. In Lieu of Flowers	\$	<u>12,380.00</u>
9. Wills and Bequests	\$	<u> </u>
10. Other Contributions:		
a. Xmas Card	\$	<u>3,375.00</u>
b. Altar Flowers	\$	<u>185.00</u>

B. Sacraments & Other Services:

1. Baptisms	\$	<u>275.00</u>
2. Weddings	\$	<u>-0-</u>
3. Funerals	\$	<u>1,300.00</u>
4. Requiems	\$	<u>6,245.00</u>
TOTAL	\$	<u>52,817.00</u>

C. Church Affairs:

	(Gross)	(Net)
1. Bazaar	\$ <u>9,844.00</u>	<u>7,501.37</u>
2. Picnics	\$ <u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>
3. Raffle Fairs	\$ <u>29,500.00</u>	<u>14,436.00</u>
4. Name Day Concerts	\$ <u>20,075.00</u>	<u>13,326.84</u>

