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Archbishop Torkom Manoogian, Primate

June 27, 1988

Bedros C. Bandazian
Chairman, Parish Council
St. James Armenian Church
834 Pepper Avenue
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Dear Bedros:

The Primate, His Eminence, Archbishop Torkom Manoogian, who is presently in Armenia, has asked that I write to you in connection with your letter of June 1, 1988, the contents of which I understand he has discussed with you.

It is the Primate's wish, and I concur wholeheartedly, that you and your entire Parish be assured that neither the Primate, nor the Diocesan Council, will place St. James in a position where by our action your Parish will be left without a Pastor. Be assured that both you and your council have our support in maintaining St. James as a vibrant and effective Parish and will do all that we can to help you in keeping it that way.

Cordially,

Vincent Gurahian
Chairman, Diocesan Council

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