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His Eminence Archbishop Khajag Barsamian Primate Eastern Diocese, Armenian Church of America 630 Second Avenue New York, NY. 10016-4885

Your Eminence,

I am writing on behalf of myself and the entire Parish Council of the Ann Arbor Armenian Community to thank you for your participation in the "Michigan Mania" weekend, which was held January 27-29, 1995.

Overall it was an extremely successful event and one that will hopefully help build unity within the local community here. Your support of our small community is particularly inspiring considering your vast responsibilities. I can safely speak for us all when I say it was a tremendous honor to have you with us.

Also, thank you for providing wisdom to us with regards to our growth. I personally feel more at ease having been able to speak with you and ask you questions which in my mind were extremely relevant to our situation at this time. I am pleased we were able to get closure regarding Deacon Michael's situation as well as our community receiving communion on a regular basis.

As I mentioned to you at our meeting, I will be contacting Der Diran Papazian in the very near future to secure a committment from him for coming to Ann Arbor to preside over the Divine Liturgy. I shall stay in touch with you updating you of our situation.

Once again, it was a great honor to have you among us and I hope we will be able to benefit from your support for future events.

Respectfully yours,

Steven Mangigian Chairman