Թիւ 27038 Հոկանմբեր 14, 1980

Մեծայարգ Տիար Սարզիս Չիլինկիրեան Ս. Երրորդունիւն Եկեղեցւոյ Ծխական Խորհուրդի Ատենապետ Թորոննօ.

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Հոկանմընը 5 Կիրակի երեկոյնան Ձորոննոյի մէջ ծխական Խորհուրդիդ հնտ խորհրդակցուննան ըննացքին ուրախ եղանք լսելով կարգ մը քացատրունիւններ Ս. Երրորդունիւն նկեղեցւոյ անունով գնուելիք նոր հողին եւ կառուցուելիք շէնքերուն մասին:

Νυζωξυ յայտնեցինը ձեզի, Թեմական Խորհուրդի յաջորդ նիստը պիտի զումարուի Հոկտեմբեր 24, 1980, Ուրբան օր, Առաջնորդարանի մէջ, Նիւ Եորք։ Փափաք յայտնեցիք քանի մը ներկայացուցիլներու հետ Թեմական Խորհուրդին ներկայանակ եւ ծրագիրներու մասին բացատրունիւն տալ։

ζωδόβτρ Առաջնորդարան գտնուիլ Հոկտեմբեր 24, Ուրբա@ on jan dhoorth dwdp 4.00hu:

"Representatives of the Parish Council of the Holy Trinity Church of Toronto, Canada, presented their views and plans regarding the proposed construction of a new church and the disapproval of the Diocesan Council of their plan. After a lengthy and detailed discussion on this matter, during which various aspects of the situation were considered, the Diocesan Council continued its session and the following motion was made, seconded and passed "that the Diocesan Council will reconsider the request of the Holy Trinity Church of Toponto to purbhase the 1.1 acres of land which was previously denied, on condition that the following be presented to the Diocesan Council:

- a) Plot plan of 3.7 acres of land indicate all building layouts and parking facilities.
- b) Preliminary drawings be presented of the Holy Trinity Church indicating the physical plant to be built and setting forth any and all areas of parking facilities and further setting forth the interior of the church layout, offices, kitchen and social, cultural and educational function areas."

Also, the following motion was made, seconded and passed "that the Diocesan Council makes no assurances of acting favorably in this matter in the future."

The representatives of the Holy Trinity Parish Council were verbally informed of the above decisions."

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SEVENTH SESSION

The Diocesan Council convened its seventh session of the current year on Friday, August 22, 1980, in the reception hall of the Diocese. The meeting started at 10:25 A.M. with the prayer offered by His Eminence the Primate, who presided over the meeting. For legitimate reasons Kachadoor Kazarian was absent.

MINUTES

Corréctions:

: Page 572, Item II, second paragraph, second line, should read: "presented is realistic and if <u>it is</u> possible to expedite the <u>time-table</u> as we..."

Page 572, Item IV, second line, Add: "chairman" after "The Primate and Diocesan Council."

I. PRIMATE'S REPORT

1. Official Visits

The Primate reported on his recent visit to Europe and the Middle East. The visit lasted July 27 - August 19. His Eminence visited Rumania with the Appeal of Conscience Foundation, attended the Conference of Clergy Alumni of the St. James Seminary in Jerusalem, visited Athens, Greece and the newly-formed Armenian community of Amsterdam.

2. Plans for Canadian Diocese (see page 572)

A detailed step by step procedure and time-table, prepared by the Reverend Father Mampre Kouzouian, Judge John Najarian and Crosby Goshgarian, was presented to the Diocesan Council for its consideration, approval and implementation.

The document was reviewed by the Diocesan Council. Some corrections and clarifications were made and the final approved document becomes part of these minutes.

3. Request of Washington, D.C. Parish (see page 449)

A special Parish Assembly has been held on July 27, 1980 to seek approval for an additional \$50,000 expenditure for their current building project, raising the total cost of the project to \$260,000. The Parish Assembly approved the additional expenditure and the Parish Council is requesting approval from the Diocesan Council.

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A motion was made, seconded and passed "to approve the request of St. Mary Parish, Washington, D.C., for an additional expenditure of \$50,000, for their current building project."

The parish will be notified that according to Diocesan policy the approval of their request for additional expenditures is subject to their being up-to-date on their Diocesan assessments.

4. Request of Father Nersess Jebejian

The Reverend Father Nersess Jebejian, in a letter to the Primate, requests to be granted a leave of absence for one year to serve in Jerusalem as the Dean of St. James Seminary. The position has been offered to him by the Armenian Patriarchate of Jerusalem. Father Nersess is also requesting that he be included in the Diocesan Clergy Group insurance and pension plan during his absence.

The request of Father Nersess was considered by the Diocesan Council and after discussing the various aspects of the effect of granting or denying the request, a motion was made, seconded and passed, to deny the request.

A motion was made, seconded and defeated to release Father Nersess Jebejian from our Diocesan jurisdiction.

5. Clergy Assignment

The Primate reported the following clergy assignments:

- a) The Very Reverend Father Vasken Keshishian's assignment to the St. Sahag and St. Mesrob Church, Providence, R.I. has been formally approved.
- b) The Reverend Father Untzag Nalbandian may be assigned to the Greenfield, Wisconsin parish.
- c) The Reverend Father Zenob Nalbandian may be assigned to the South Milwaukee, Wisconsin parish.

II. TREASURER'S REPORT

1. There is a cash flow problem in the Diocesan treasury. Many parishes are in arrears in their Diocesan Assessments. A letter was drafted and approved by the Diocesan Council directing those parishes who are in arrears in their Diocesan Assessments to forward their assessments immediately. In the meantimesthe treasurer was authorized to borrow necessary funds from available Diocesan Funds with the Pacesetters Committee.

2. The Thailand U.N. Mission is interested in renting two floors of Diocesan space which will be vacated by the A.G.B.U.

A motion was made, seconded and passed "that the treasurer be authorized to have a lease prepared for the rental of the third and fourth floors of the former A.G.B.U. offices, through legal council."

3. A motion was made, seconded and passed "that the Diocesan Council and the Diocesan office seek applicants for the office of Executive Director in the salary range of \$30,000 to \$50,000 as per job description to be finalized by the treasurer."

III. <u>MEETING WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF HOLY TRINITY, TORONTO PARISH</u> (see pages 563 and 573)

Representatives of the Parish Council of the Holy Trinity Church of Toronto, Canada presented their views and plans regarding the proposed construction of a new church and the disapproval of the Diocesan Council of their plan. After a lengthy and detailed discussion on this matter, during which various aspects of the situation were considered, the Diocesan Council continued its session and the following motion was made, seconded and passed "that the Diocesan Council will reconsider the request of the Holy Trinity Church of Toronto to purchase the 1.1 acres of land which was previously denied, on condition that the following be presented to the Diocesan Council:

- a) Plot plan of 3.7 acres of land indicate all building layouts and parking facilities.
- b) Preliminary drawings be presented of the Holy Trinity Church indicating the physical plant to be built and setting forth any and all areas of parking facilities and further setting forth the interior of the church layout, offices, kitchen and social, cultural and educational function areas."

Father Mampre Kouzouian and Crosby Goshgarian asked that their dissenting votes be recorded.

 $\mathcal{H}(\mathcal{So})$, the following motion was made, seconded and passed "that the Diocesan Council makes no assurances of acting favorably in this matter in the future."

The representatives of the Holy Trinity Parish Council were verbally informed of the above decisions, which wif 1 be formally forwarded to them in a letter.

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- a) The assignment of a new pastor.
- b) The case of Barkev Khojajian who resigned as the Parish Council Chairman. It was suggested that he be formally invited to assume his responsibilities. If he refuses to return to his position, the procedure outlined in the By-laws will be followed.
- c) The situation of their Diocesan Assessments. The representatives were directed to immediately act on this matter and to bring their assessment to an up-to-date status.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

The next meeting will be held in New York, on Friday, September 19, 1980.

Archbishop Torkom Manoogian Primate

Judge John K. Najarian Chairman

The Very Reverend Father Arshen Aivazian Secretary