Oesk - 90 letter 9 May, 1984 Dear []: To be an Armenian is to possess many riches...these riches are comprised of our religion, heritage and culture. In order for us to maintain these riches we must strive to educate our young, inform our adults, assist our elders, and help prepare the men and women in our community to serve in the many roles required by the Armenian Church. The task of preserving our riches is a challenging one and requires commitment which only, we as Armenians, can relate to. In order to achieve our objective, the Diocese has the responsibility to fulfill a two-fold mission: 1. To nurture its people for the purpose of perpetuating our religion and culture. 2. To inspire knowledge in those areas essential for our progress and identity as Armenians living and growing in the American community. This task can only be accomplished through the efforts of giving individuals who understand the importance of our mission. The many services performed for your Church and community have undoubtedly given you an insight that our most significant achievements are yet to be fulfilled.

Your continued support in 1984 for the Diocese and St. Vartan Cathedral may be satisfied by a pledge or donation of \$1,000.00 or more to the Archbishop's Fund Raising Campaign. This sum shall be placed in our Endowment Fund and only the annual interest will be used to implement and further the programs outlined in the enclosed Case Statement.

Donations will be acknowledged by the donor's name being inscribed on a permanent plaque located in the Cathedral Complex under the title of Pacesetters (\$5,000.00 and over) or Partakers (\$1,000.00 - 4,999.00). For further information please contact the Department of Finance,

Your past encouragement for our progress has been a great inspiration and we pray it shall continue.

Respectfully yours,

Frank Avakian Stoneson Finance Director

P.S. You shall receive a copy of our other fund raising appeals, which are being distributed to our entire mailing list throughout the country, to keep you informed of our additional efforts to raise funds.

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