



ANNUNCIATION GREEK ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL

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Dear Fellow Parishioners:

I would like to thank everyone for the outstanding turnout for the 2015 Fall Assembly. After a thorough presentation of the proposal, and a healthy discussion followed by a historic vote, I am pleased that our community has approved moving forward with the renovation and expansion of our beloved Cathedral. We have named the campaign "Annunciation Cathedral 2017 – Preserving Our Past While Expanding Our Future".

The motion that was voted on and passed with almost 80% of the voting members in attendance at the Assembly was as follows:

"Per the unanimous recommendation of the Expansion Steering Committee and the Parish Council, I/we move for General Assembly approval of a renovation and expansion of our beloved Cathedral on its existing location to achieve a seating capacity of over 750 parishioners. This will include, but is not limited to, expansion of the Nave, Narthex, installation of a dome, and iconography.

The AGOC Parish Council will take all necessary steps to plan, initiate and complete construction of the proposed renovation and expansion (\$12.5 million based on preliminary estimates), including raising all necessary funds through a capital campaign, commissioning of architectural plans and specifications, engaging contractors, permitting, budgeting, interim financing, and construction."

As stated at the Assembly, we are well on our way to raising the funds necessary for this project, with less than \$4 million needed to reach our \$12.5 million goal.

It is important that each of us dig deep and contribute to this campaign over and above what we all give for our annual stewardship. To make it as easy as possible to give, pledges can be paid in a variety of ways – by check, credit card or with securities - over a period of up to five years if desired.

Our current website is updated with new information, as well as the ability to accept online pledges. Please visit www.agoc2017.org for all project information including a special video that was made specifically for the campaign. If you prefer to mail or hand deliver a commitment, please feel free to use the enclosed pledge card.

Thank you again for your support and stay tuned for more information about "Annunciation Cathedral 2017 – Preserving Our Past While Expanding Our Future". The Steering Committee will be meeting soon to organize the project, establishing subcommittees for the first steps of the project. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Gregory Cokinos at gmcokinos@cbylaw.com.

Sincerely,

Michael Koinis

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President – AGOC Parish Council