

GREEK ORTHODOX METROPOLIS OF CHICAGO

ΙΕΡΑ ΜΗΤΡΟΠΟΛΙΣ ΣΙΚΑΓΟΥ

September 21, 2022

Reverend Clergy
Presidents and Esteemed Members of the Parish Councils
of the Holy Metropolis of Chicago

Dear Rev. Father, Parish Council President, and Parish Council Members,

In accordance with Article 11 of the Regulations of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America, this correspondence serves as notice that His Eminence Metropolitan Nathanael of Chicago will convene a special Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Chicago Clergy Laity Assembly (“Special Metropolis Assembly”) on Thursday, December 29, 2022, 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Central Time. The Special Metropolis Assembly will be held virtually via Zoom. Registration will be conducted online beginning in October. You will receive notice when the registration portal opens. The purpose of the Special Metropolis Assembly is to discuss and authorize the acquisition of a new Metropolis Center.

In preparing your Parish for this Special Metropolis Assembly, please be aware that the Regulations provide for each Parish to be represented by four (4) representatives, each having one vote at the Special Metropolis Assembly. Each representative to the Special Metropolis Assembly shall be in good standing, as described in Article 18 of the Regulations. The four (4) Parish representatives shall include:

- A. The Parish Priest.
- B. The President of the Parish Council, and in his or her absence the Vice President, or in his or her absence any member of the Parish Council designated by it; and
- C. Two members of the Parish elected by the Parish Assembly.

Any Parish having items it wishes considered at the Special Metropolis Assembly or at the Archdiocese Congress shall:

- i. first submit them to the Parish Assembly for approval, and if approved
- ii. send a copy of the approved items together with the necessary documentation to the Metropolis, following which it
- iii. may present them on the floor of the Special Metropolis Assembly for consideration and, if approved by the Special Metropolis Assembly, they shall be included in the items submitted to the Archdiocese.

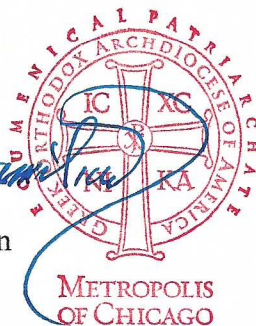
We look forward to greeting you at the Special Metropolis Assembly.

In closing, please know that we are forever grateful to you and the faithful of your beloved parish for the continued service to our Lord and His Church. On behalf of His Eminence Metropolitan Nathanael, I remain,

In Christ,



+ Bishop Timothy of Hexamilion
Chancellor
Metropolis of Chicago



cc: Metropolis Council
Metropolis Philoptochos Society
Metropolis Archons
Metropolis Representatives to the Archdiocesan Council