

July 24, 2018

Dear Business Leader:

The 44<sup>th</sup> Annual St. Anthony Maronite Church Mahrajan Committee is excited about our upcoming Mahrajan, which will be held, as usual, on Labor Day weekend: Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, August  $31^{st}$  – September  $2^{nd}$  on the grounds of St. Anthony Maronite Church, located at 145 Amesbury Street, Lawrence, MA. This letter of invitation is sent to distinguished businesses and organizations like yours to participate in this spectacular event as one of our valued sponsors. Please accept this personal and friendly invitation to join us in keeping our heritage alive, bringing the zest of the east to the west.

The Mahrajan is our main fundraising event that will continue to directly benefit the programs and ministries of St. Anthony's, including:

- Religious Education
- Youth/Young Adult Groups
- Daughters of St. Anthony
- Choirs (English, Arabic & Syriac)
- Knights of Mary
- Charities: supporting soup kitchens in the area, visiting with our parishioners in nursing homes and bringing them care packages.

In addition, we are pleased to announce that this year the church is expanding our cemetery by adding 2,679 single (5,358 double) lots, as well as breaking ground to build a columbarium. This year's proceeds will be invested (along with the proceeds from 2016) in maintaining the existing cemetery and beginning these new projects so that we may continue to honor our loved ones who have gone before us.

We thank you for your continued support through the years and invite you to promote your company by partnering with us for this year's Mahrajan. Your organization can participate at various levels of giving. The sponsorship package will provide details about sponsorship and advertising opportunities. (*See Attachment Below*)

If you have any questions or need additional information, you may contact us via email at <u>mahrajan@stanthonylawrence.org</u> or via phone at 978-685-7233.

Thank you for your time and consideration. Again, we welcome your support and look forward to your response.

Warm Regards, *Therese Moses Leone* Sponsorship Coordinator St. Anthony's Mahrajan Executive Committee

