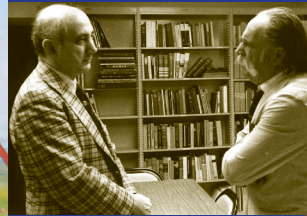




PLANNING YOUR ESTATE WITH NAASR IN MIND



TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE PERPETUATION OF



“I have included NAASR in my estate because I believe in the goals and ideals of the organization as much now as I did in 1955. I urge all of NAASR’s supporters to do likewise.”

DR. GREGORY ADAMIAN

NAASR Charter Member

President, Bentley University (1970-1991), Chancellor (1991-present)

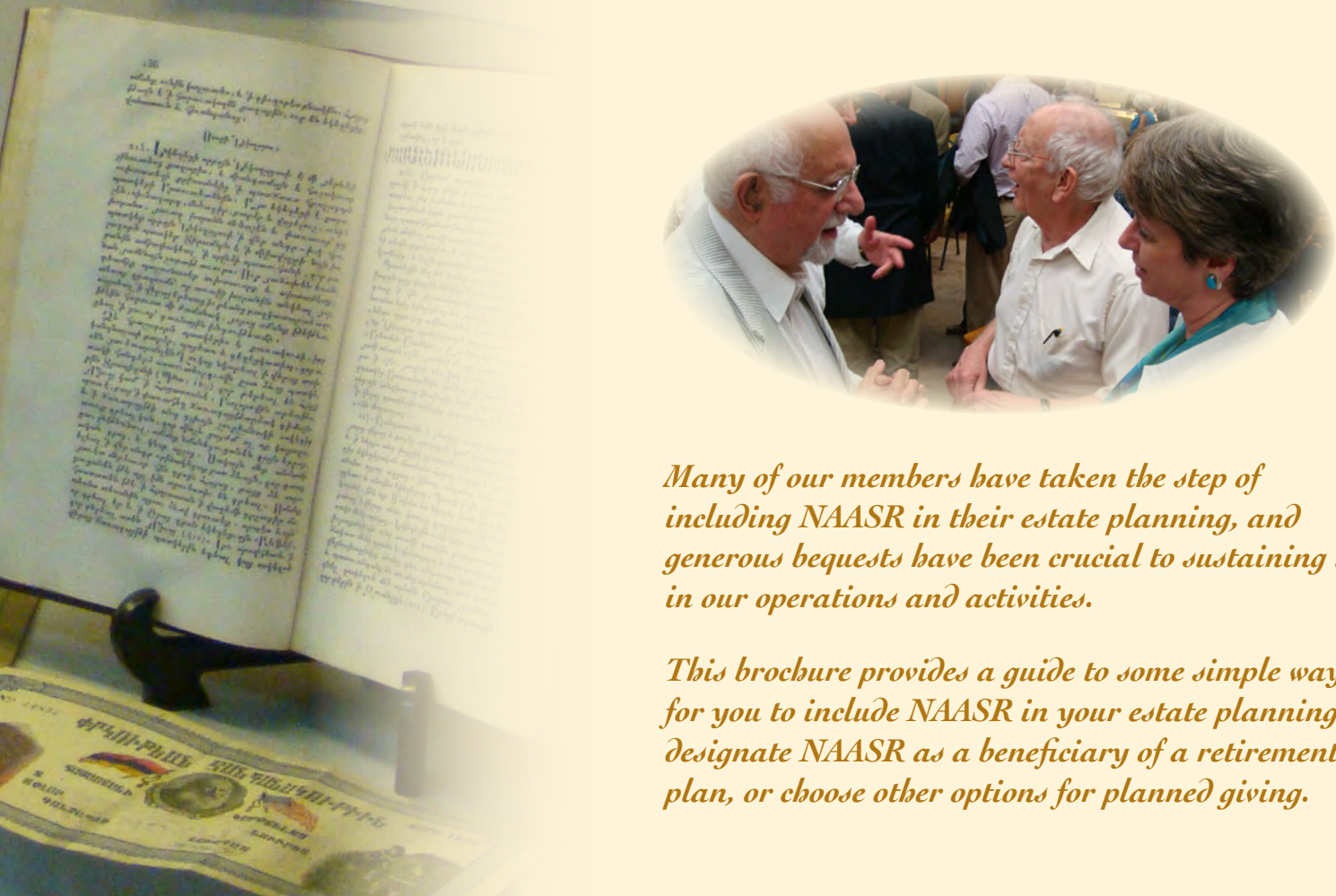
Think about the far-seeing wisdom of the men and women who established NAASR more than fifty-five years ago. They knew that it was necessary to establish permanent programs in Armenian Studies and that these programs would in turn form the bedrock upon which many other important Armenian causes would rest. They were right!

The vital work that NAASR began then continues today, and has matured and multiplied. The vitality of Armenian Studies has never been greater, nor has its importance. Scholarship continues to be the foundation upon which all else rests.

When you provide for NAASR in your estate planning you leave a legacy that will perpetuate the Armenian heritage by insuring that NAASR’s efforts to support, strengthen, and expand Armenian Studies will endure and benefit future generations.

THE ARMENIAN HERITAGE





Many of our members have taken the step of including NAASR in their estate planning, and generous bequests have been crucial to sustaining us in our operations and activities.

This brochure provides a guide to some simple ways for you to include NAASR in your estate planning, designate NAASR as a beneficiary of a retirement plan, or choose other options for planned giving.



MARIA LITTLETON OF BELMONT, A LONGTIME FRIEND TO AND VOLUNTEER AT NAASR, MADE A MAJOR MONETARY CONTRIBUTION AND DESIGNATED NAASR AS A BENEFICIARY IN HER WILL. MARIA, AN “ABC” (ARMENIAN BY CHOICE) VALUES THE WORK NAASR DOES AND WANTED TO HONOR HER DEAR FRIEND REV. VARTAN HARTUNIAN, HIS WIFE GRACE, AND THE ENTIRE HARTUNIAN FAMILY.

WHAT ARE YOUR OPTIONS AND

There are different routes to achieving your goal of strengthening NAASR's programs for the advancement of Armenian Studies. We are willing to work with you and your estate planners to discuss possibilities.

Bequests

Making a bequest to NAASR is as easy as can be but it will have a far-reaching impact. All that is necessary is to include language in your will. Since NAASR is a non-profit organization, bequest will benefit your estate in that it lowers the taxable value of your estate and is exempt from state inheritance taxes.

You may bequeath either a percentage of your estate or a specific dollar amount. Talk to your estate planner about which is the better option for you.

A bequest can be designated for a specific purpose or it may be left unrestricted, thus providing NAASR with the flexibility to utilize the funds for future purposes that may not today be readily apparent.

Sample Bequest Language: "I give, bequeath, and devise to the National Association for Armenian Studies, Inc., located in Belmont, Massachusetts, the sum total of \$ _____ / X percent as a gift from my estate."

LIFE INSURANCE

You can donate a paid-up life insurance policy no longer needed by your family and receive a tax benefit or revocably name NAASR as the beneficiary of a life insurance policy which you will continue to own.

PROPERTY

A gift called a retained life estate allows you to donate real estate to NAASR and retain the use of the property during your life.

LIFE INCOME GIFTS

This method of giving allows you to give during your lifetime, derive income from the gift as well as tax benefits. A charitable gift annuity or charitable remainder trust may be desirable options for you to explore.

RETIREMENT ASSETS

Giving an IRA, 401(k), or 403(b) can be an attractive choice. These accounts are among the highest taxed assets in your estate. By bequeathing them to a non-profit such as NAASR, we will receive the full amount of the gift at no cost to you during your lifetime and your heirs will receive more of your estate by receiving more favorably taxed assets.

How Do You Do It?





WITHOUT YOUR SUPPORT, NAASR COULD NOT HAVE:

- established the first permanent programs in Armenian Studies in the U.S.
- organized and co-sponsored nearly two dozen groundbreaking academic conferences
- established one of the premier Armenian research libraries in the U.S.
- developed the most active and diverse series of lectures and public programs
- provided vital research grants to several generations of scholars
- become the nerve-center and clearing house for information on all aspects of Armenian Studies for scholars and the general public alike



Your continuing support is needed now more than ever!

Please include NAASR in your estate planning and insure that our work can continue and expand for generations to come. Talk to us about your estate planning today.

There are many ways you can help NAASR and its programs for the furtherance of Armenian studies and research. Consider the possibilities and discuss them with your advisors and with NAASR. We will work with you to find the best plan for you. Call us at 617-489-1610, e-mail us at hq@naasr.org, or visit us at the NAASR Center in Belmont