

## **A Byzantine Music Manuscript Signed by Matthew Vatopedi**

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### **Abstract**

The Greek manuscript no. 37987 (The Library „*I. Gh. Bibicescu*” in Drobeta Turnu Severin) is the second autograph manuscript in our country, written by Matei Vatopedinul Efesiul (1774-1849), a known musician of Mount Athos, apprentice of Grigorie Protopsaltul – one of the three reformer masters, who use the new method. Matei Vatopedinul is known for his ability to compose songs and for his musical knowledge, dab at the old and new notation.

Apart from the historiographical and documentary-scientific, this highlight of the fund of musical manuscripts in Severin opens the perspective of a detailed research, but also the accomplishment of the practically aspect for which musical manuscripts were written– the publication of songs that they contain and their interpretation by the psalm book admirers.