CHAPTER 457. FRATERNAL ASSOCIATIONS

ST. GEORGE'S SOCIETIES
Act 134 of 1871

AN ACT to provide for the incorporation of St. George's societies; and to impose certain duties upon the department of commerce.

History: 1871, Act 134, Imd. Eff. Apr. 15, 1871;—Am. 1982, Act 102, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.1 St. George's societies; incorporators.

Sec. 1. That any number of persons of English birth, who may now or hereafter be residents of this state, or the descendants of such persons in the first or second degree, may be incorporated in pursuance of the provision of this act.

History: 1871, Act 134, Imd. Eff. Apr. 15, 1871;—CL 1871, 3246;—How. 4520;—CL 1897, 7804;—CL 1915, 10240;—CL 1929, 10521;—CL 1948, 457.1.

457.2 Articles of association; execution, contents.

Sec. 2. Any 10 or more persons residents of this state, being of English birth, or their descendants as aforesaid, desiring to become incorporated, may make and execute articles of association under their hands and seals, which said articles of association shall be acknowledged before some officer of this state having authority to take acknowledgment of deeds, and shall set forth:

First. The names of persons associating, and their place of residence;

Second. The location of the association of which they are members;

Third. The corporate name by which such association shall be known in the law: Provided, That each association incorporated under this act, shall be known as “The St. George Society” of (the name of the city or township where such association is located, and if more than 1 such association is located in the same city or township, the same shall be designated by number.)

Fourth. The object and purpose of such association, which shall be to provide for the relief of distressed members and their families (provided such distress is not occasioned by drunkenness or crime), the visitation of the sick, the burial of the dead, and to aid and assist the widows and orphans of deceased members, and in the discretion of the society to relieve and advise distressed immigrants, and others from that part of Great Britain south of the Tweed, and the isles adjacent thereto, and their sons and grandsons.

The period for which such association shall be incorporated shall not exceed 30 years.

History: 1871, Act 134, Imd. Eff. Apr. 15, 1871;—CL 1871, 3247;—How. 4521;—CL 1897, 7805;—CL 1915, 10241;—CL 1929, 10522;—CL 1948, 457.2.

457.3 Filing copy of articles with department of commerce; signers of articles, associates, and successors as body politic and corporate; powers; evidence of existence and incorporation.

Sec. 3. A copy of said articles of association shall be filed with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, and thereupon the persons who shall have signed said articles of association, their associates and successors, shall be a body politic, and corporate by the name expressed in such articles of association, and by that name they and their successors shall have succession, and shall be persons in the law, capable of suing and being sued, and they and their successors may have a common seal, and the same may change and alter at pleasure; and a certified copy of the record of such articles of association under the seal of the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts in this state, of the existence and due incorporation of such corporation.

History: 1871, Act 134, Imd. Eff. Apr. 15, 1871;—CL 1871, 3248;—How. 4522;—CL 1897, 7806;—CL 1915, 10242;—CL 1929, 10523;—CL 1948, 457.3;—Am. 1982, Act 102, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.4 Property; holding, disposition.

Sec. 4. Every corporation formed in pursuance of this act shall be capable in its corporate name, of purchasing, taking, receiving, holding and enjoying to itself estates both real and personal: Provided, That the value of such real and personal estate shall not exceed the sum of 100,000 dollars, and that they and their successors shall have full authority and power to give, grant, sell, mortgage, lease, devise, and dispose of said real and personal estate, or part thereof, and other estates real and personal, may acquire instead thereof, at

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their will and pleasure; and the proceeds shall be devoted exclusively to charitable and benevolent purposes set forth in section 2.

History: 1871, Act 134, Imd. Eff. Apr. 15, 1871;—CL 1871, 3249;—How. 4523;—CL 1897, 7807;—CL 1915, 10243;—CL 1929, 10524;—CL 1948, 457.4.

457.5 By-laws and rules; officers, powers.

Sec. 5. Said corporations shall have full power and authority to make and establish rules, regulations and by-laws for regulating and governing all the affairs and business of said corporations, not contrary to the laws of this state and the United States and to designate, elect, or appoint from among their number such officers, under such names and style as shall be in accordance with the constitution or charter of said society, who shall have the supervision, control, and management of the affairs of said corporations.

History: 1871, Act 134, Imd. Eff. Apr. 15, 1871;—CL 1871, 3250;—How. 4524;—CL 1897, 7808;—CL 1915, 10244;—CL 1929, 10525;—CL 1948, 457.5.

457.6 Erection of buildings; capital stock, creation, shares.

Sec. 6. Any corporations formed in pursuance of this act may erect and own such suitable edifices, buildings or halls as such corporation shall deem necessary, with convenient rooms, for the meeting of said society, and for that purpose may create a capital stock of not more than 60,000 dollars, to be divided into shares of not more than 25 dollars each.

History: 1871, Act 134, Imd. Eff. Apr. 15, 1871;—CL 1871, 3251;—How. 4525;—CL 1897, 7809;—CL 1915, 10245;—CL 1929, 10526;—CL 1948, 457.6.

457.7 Governing law; amendment of act.

Sec. 7. All corporations formed under the provisions of this act shall be subject to the provisions of chapter 73 of the Compiled Laws of this state, so far as the same may be applicable to corporations formed under this act, and the legislature may alter or amend this act at any time.

History: 1871, Act 134, Imd. Eff. Apr. 15, 1871;—CL 1871, 3252;—How. 4526;—CL 1897, 7810;—CL 1915, 10246;—CL 1929, 10527;—CL 1948, 457.7.

Compiler's note: For provisions of chapter 73, referred to in this section, which have not been repealed or reenacted, see § 450.504 et seq.

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SONS OF ST. GEORGE
Act 173 of 1891

AN ACT to provide for the incorporation of orders of the Sons of St. George; and to impose certain duties upon the department of commerce.

History: 1891, Act 173, Imd. Eff. June 30, 1891;—Am. 1982, Act 118, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.11 Sons of St. George; incorporators.

Sec. 1. That any number of persons of English birth, who may now or hereafter be residents of this state, or the descendants of such persons in the first or second degree, may be incorporated in pursuance of the provisions of this act.

History: 1891, Act 173, Imd. Eff. June 30, 1891;—CL 1897, 7795;—CL 1915, 10231;—CL 1929, 10528;—CL 1948, 457.11.

457.12 Articles of association; execution, contents.

Sec. 2. Any 10 or more residents of this state, being of English birth, or their descendants as aforesaid, desiring to become incorporated, may make and execute articles of association under their hands and seals, which said articles of association shall be acknowledged before some officer of this state having authority to take acknowledgments of deeds, and shall set forth:

First, The names of citizens associating, and their place of residence;

Second, The location of the association of which they are members;

Third, The corporate name by which such association shall be known in the law: Provided, That each association incorporated under this act shall be known as "Order Sons of St. George" of the name of the city or township where such association is located, and if more than 1 [such] association is located in the same city or township, the same shall be designated by number;

Fourth, The object and purpose of such association, which shall be to provide for the relief of distressed members and their families, provided such distress is not occasioned by drunkenness or crime, the visitation of the sick, the burial of the dead, and to aid and assist the widows and orphans of deceased members, and in the discretion of the lodge to relieve and advise distressed immigrants and others from that part of Great Britain south of the Tweed, and the isles adjacent thereto, and their sons and grandsons. The period for which such association shall be incorporated shall not exceed 30 years.

History: 1891, Act 173, Imd. Eff. June 30, 1891;—CL 1897, 7796;—CL 1915, 10232;—CL 1929, 10529;—CL 1948, 457.12.

457.13 Filing copy of articles of association with department of commerce; signers of articles, associates, and successors as body politic and corporate; powers; evidence of existence and incorporation.

Sec. 3. A copy of said articles of association shall be filed with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce and thereupon the persons who shall have signed said articles of association, their associates and successors, shall be a body politic and corporate by the name expressed in such articles of association, and by that name, they and their successors shall have succession, and shall be citizens in the law capable of suing and being sued, and they and their successors may have a common seal, and the same, may change and alter at pleasure; and a certified copy of the record of such articles of association, under the seal of the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, shall be received as prima facie evidence, in all courts in this state, of the existence and due incorporation of such corporation.

History: 1891, Act 173, Imd. Eff. June 30, 1891;—CL 1897, 7797;—CL 1915, 10233;—CL 1929, 10530;—CL 1948, 457.13;—Am. 1982, Act 118, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.14 Property; holding, disposition.

Sec. 4. Every corporation formed in pursuance of this act shall be capable, in its corporate name, of purchasing, taking, receiving, holding and enjoying to itself estates both real and personal: Provided, That the value of such real and personal estate shall not exceed the sum of 100,000 dollars, and that they and their successors shall have full authority and power to give, grant, sell, mortgage, lease, devise, and dispose of said real and personal estate, or part thereof, and other estates, real and personal, may acquire instead thereof at their will and pleasure; and the proceeds shall be devoted exclusively to charitable and benevolent purposes, set forth in section 2.

History: 1891, Act 173, Imd. Eff. June 30, 1891;—CL 1897, 7798;—CL 1915, 10234;—CL 1929, 10531;—CL 1948, 457.14.

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457.15 By-laws and rules; officers, powers.

Sec. 5. Said corporation [corporations] shall have full power and authority to make and establish rules, regulations, and by-laws for regulating and governing all the affairs and business of said corporation, not contrary to the laws of this state or the United States, and to designate, elect, or appoint, from among their number, such officers, under such name and style as shall be in accordance with the constitution or charter of said lodge, who shall have the supervision, control and management of the affairs of said corporations.

History: 1891, Act 173, Imd. Eff. June 30, 1891;—CL 1897, 7799;—CL 1915, 10235;—CL 1929, 10532;—CL 1948, 457.15.

457.16 Erection of buildings; capital stock, creation, shares.

Sec. 6. Any corporation formed in pursuance of this act may erect and own such suitable edifices, buildings or halls as such corporation shall deem necessary, with convenient rooms for the meeting of said lodge, and for that purpose may create a capital stock of not more than 60,000 dollars, to be divided into shares of not more than 25 dollars each.

History: 1891, Act 173, Imd. Eff. June 30, 1891;—CL 1897, 7800;—CL 1915, 10236;—CL 1929, 10533;—CL 1948, 457.16.

457.17 Governing law; amendment of act.

Sec. 7. All corporations formed under the provisions of this act shall be subject to the provisions of chapter 73 of the Compiled Laws of this state, the same being chapter 191 of Howell's statutes, so far as the same may be applicable to corporations formed under this act, and the legislature may alter or amend this act at any time.

History: 1891, Act 173, Imd. Eff. June 30, 1891;—CL 1897, 7801;—CL 1915, 10237;—CL 1929, 10534;—CL 1948, 457.17.

Compiler's note: For provisions of chapter 73, referred to in this section, which have not been repealed or reenacted, see § 450.504 et seq.

457.18 Grand lodge; incorporation, purpose.

Sec. 8. Any 10 or more members of the body known as the Grand Lodge of the state of Michigan of the Order Sons of St. George, which number shall include the executive board of said grand lodge, may, under the provisions of this act, make and execute articles of association under their hands and seals, to be acknowledged before some officer of this state having authority to take acknowledgment of deeds, which articles shall set forth the same facts provided for in section 2 of this act, except that the location may be set forth as in the state of Michigan merely, and the corporate name shall be the "Grand Lodge of the State of Michigan of the Order Sons of St. George," and the object and purpose of the association shall be, and shall be set forth as, to exercise such jurisdiction, power and authority over subordinate lodges of said order in this state as are now, or may be given it by virtue of the articles and regulations of such grand lodge as they now, or as they may from time to time exist, not inconsistent with the laws and constitution of this state and of the United States.

History: Add. 1895, Act 60, Imd. Eff. Apr. 4, 1895;—CL 1897, 7802;—CL 1915, 10238;—CL 1929, 10535;—CL 1948, 457.18.

457.19 Filing articles of association with department of commerce; signers of articles, associates, and successors as body corporate; powers and duties.

Sec. 9. Such articles of association shall be filed in the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, and thereupon the persons who have signed the same, their associates and successors, shall be a body corporate with all the powers and privileges as to property conferred by this act upon local lodges of said order, together with the jurisdiction, power and authority over local or subordinate lodges of said order in this state, mentioned in the preceding section, and shall be subject to all the provisions of law and reservations of power described in section 7 of this act.

History: Add. 1895, Act 60, Imd. Eff. Apr. 4, 1895;—CL 1897, 7803;—CL 1915, 10239;—CL 1929, 10536;—CL 1948, 457.19;—Am. 1982, Act 118, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

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ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETIES
Act 41 of 1877

AN ACT to provide for the incorporation of St. Andrew's Societies; and impose certain duties upon the department of commerce.

History: 1877, Act 41, Imd. Eff. Mar. 30, 1877;—Am. 1982, Act 120, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.21 St. Andrew's societies; incorporators.

Sec. 1. That any number of persons of Scottish birth, who may now or hereafter be residents of this state, or the descendants of such persons in the first or second degree, may be incorporated in pursuance of the provisions of this act.

History: 1877, Act 41, Imd. Eff. Mar. 30, 1877;—How. 4527;—CL 1897, 7811;—CL 1915, 10247;—CL 1929, 10537;—CL 1948, 457.21.

457.22 Articles of association; execution, contents.

Sec. 2. Any 10 or more persons, residents of this state, being of Scottish birth or their descendants as aforesaid, desiring to become incorporated, may make and execute articles of association, under their hands and seals, which said articles of association shall be acknowledged before some officer of this state having authority to take acknowledgments of deeds, and shall set forth.

First, The names of persons associating and their places of residence;

Second, The location of the association of which they are members;

Third, The corporate name by which such association shall be known in the law: Provided, That each association incorporated under this act shall be known as “The St. Andrew's Society of (the name of the city or township where such association is located, and if more than 1 association is located in the same city or township the same shall be designated by numbers);

Fourth, The object and purpose of such association, shall be to provide for and relieve poor natives of Scotland and children and grand-children of natives of Scotland.

The period for which such association shall be incorporated shall not exceed 30 years.

History: 1877, Act 41, Imd. Eff. Mar. 30, 1877;—How. 4528;—CL 1897, 7812;—CL 1915, 10248;—CL 1929, 10538;—CL 1948, 457.22.

457.23 Filing copy of articles of association with department of commerce; signers of articles, associates, and successors as body politic and corporate; powers; evidence of existence and incorporation.

Sec. 3. A copy of said articles of association shall be filed with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, and thereupon the persons who shall have signed said articles of association, their associates and successors, shall be a body politic and corporate by the name expressed in such articles of association, and by that name they and their successors shall have succession and shall be persons in law, capable of suing and being sued, and they and their successors may have a common seal, and may change and alter the same at pleasure; and a certified copy of the record of such articles of association under the seal of the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts in this state of the existence and due incorporation of such corporation.

History: 1877, Act 41, Imd. Eff. Mar. 30, 1877;—How. 4529;—CL 1897, 7813;—CL 1915, 10249;—CL 1929, 10539;—CL 1948, 457.23;—Am. 1982, Act 120, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.24 Property; holding, disposition.

Sec. 4. Every corporation formed in pursuance of this act shall be capable in its corporate name of purchasing, taking, receiving, holding, and enjoying to itself estates both real and personal: Provided, That the value of such real and personal estate shall not exceed the sum of 100,000 dollars, and that they and their successors shall have full authority and power to give, grant, sell, mortgage, lease, devise, and dispose of said real and personal estate or any part thereof, and other estates, real and personal, may acquire instead thereof at their will and pleasure, and the proceeds shall be devoted exclusively to the charitable and benevolent purposes set forth in section 2.

History: 1877, Act 41, Imd. Eff. Mar. 30, 1877;—How. 4530;—CL 1897, 7814;—CL 1915, 10250;—CL 1929, 10540;—CL 1948, 457.24.

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457.25 By-laws and rules; officers, powers.

Sec. 5. Said corporations shall have full power and authority to make and establish rules, regulations and by-laws for regulating and governing all the affairs and business of said corporations, not contrary to the laws of this state and the United States, and to designate, elect, or appoint, from among their number such officers under such names and styles as shall be in accordance with the constitution and charter of such society, who shall have the supervision, control, and management of the affairs of said corporations.

History: 1877, Act 41, Imd. Eff. Mar. 30, 1877;—How. 4531;—CL 1897, 7815;—CL 1915, 10251;—CL 1929, 10541;—CL 1948, 457.25.

457.26 Erection of buildings; capital stock, creation, shares.

Sec. 6. Any corporation formed in pursuance of this act may erect and own such suitable edifices, buildings, or halls as such corporation shall deem necessary, with convenient rooms for the meetings of said society, and for that purpose may create a capital stock of not more than 60,000 dollars to be divided into shares of not more than 25 dollars each.

History: 1877, Act 41, Imd. Eff. Mar. 30, 1877;—How. 4532;—CL 1897, 7816;—CL 1915, 10252;—CL 1929, 10542;—CL 1948, 457.26.

457.27 Governing law; amendment of act.

Sec. 7. All corporations formed under the provisions of this act shall be subject to the provisions of chapter 73 of the Compiled Laws of this state, so far as the same may be applicable to corporations formed under this act, and the legislature may alter or amend this act at any time.

History: 1877, Act 41, Imd. Eff. Mar. 30, 1877;—How. 4533;—CL 1897, 7817;—CL 1915, 10253;—CL 1929, 10543;—CL 1948, 457.27.

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SOCIETIES OF ST. PATRICK
Act 53 of 1875

AN ACT to provide for the incorporation of societies of St. Patrick; and to impose certain duties upon the department of commerce.

History: 1875, Act 53, Eff. Aug. 3, 1875;—Am. 1982, Act 76, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.31 St. Patrick's societies; incorporators.

Sec. 1. That any number of persons of Irish birth or extraction, who may now or hereafter be residents of this state, or the descendants of such persons, may be incorporated in pursuance of the provisions of this act.

History: 1875, Act 53, Eff. Aug. 3, 1875;—How. 4513;—CL 1897, 7818;—CL 1915, 10254;—CL 1929, 10544;—CL 1948, 457.31.

457.32 Articles of association; execution, contents.

Sec. 2. Any 10 or more persons, residents of this state, being of Irish birth, or their descendants as aforesaid, desiring to become incorporated, may make and execute articles of association, under their hands and seals, which said articles of association shall be acknowledged before some officer of this state having authority to take acknowledgements of deeds, and shall set forth

First, The names of the persons associating, and their place of residence;

Second, The location of the association of which they are members;

Third, The corporate name by which such association shall be known in the law: Provided, That each association incorporated under this act shall be known as “The Society of St. Patrick” of (the name of the city, village, or township where such association is located, and if more than 1 such association is located in the same city, village, or township, the same shall be designated by number);

Fourth, The object and purpose of such association, which shall be to provide for the relief of distressed members and their families, the visitation of the sick, the burial of the dead, and to aid and assist the widows and orphans of deceased members. The period for which such association shall be incorporated shall not exceed 30 years.

History: 1875, Act 53, Eff. Aug. 3, 1875;—How. 4514;—CL 1897, 7819;—CL 1915, 10255;—CL 1929, 10545;—CL 1948, 457.32.

457.33 Filing copy of articles with department of commerce; associates and successors as body politic and corporate; powers; evidence of existence and incorporation.

Sec. 3. A copy of said articles of association shall be filed with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, and thereupon the persons who shall have signed said articles of association, their associates and successors, shall be a body politic and corporate by the name expressed in such articles of association, and by that name they and their successors shall have succession, and shall be persons in the law capable of suing and being sued, and they and their successors may have a common seal, and the same may change and alter at pleasure, and a certified copy of the record of such articles of association, under the seal of the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce where said record is kept, shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts in this state of the existence and due incorporation of such corporation.

History: 1875, Act 53, Eff. Aug. 3, 1875;—How. 4515;—CL 1897, 7820;—CL 1915, 10256;—CL 1929, 10546;—CL 1948, 457.33;—Am. 1982, Act 76, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.34 Property; holding, disposition.

Sec. 4. Every corporation formed in pursuance of this act shall be capable in its corporate name of purchasing, taking, receiving, holding to itself and enjoying estates both real and personal: Provided, That the value of such real and personal estate shall not exceed the sum of 100,000 dollars, and that they and their successors shall have full authority and power to give, grant, sell, mortgage, lease, devise, and dispose of said real and personal estate, or part thereof, and other estate, real and personal, may acquire instead thereof, at their will and pleasure; and the proceeds shall be devoted exclusively to the charitable and benevolent purposes set forth in section 2.

History: 1875, Act 53, Eff. Aug. 3, 1875;—How. 4516;—CL 1897, 7821;—CL 1915, 10257;—CL 1929, 10547;—CL 1948, 457.34.

457.35 By-laws and rules; officers, powers.

Sec. 5. Said corporations shall have full force and authority to make and establish rules, regulations, and by-laws for regulating and governing all the affairs and business of said corporation, not contrary to the laws

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of this state or of the United States, and to designate, elect, or appoint, from among their number such officers, under such names and style as shall be in accordance with the constitution or charter of said society, who shall have the supervision or control and management of the affairs of said corporations.

History: 1875, Act 53, Eff. Aug. 3, 1875;—How. 4517;—CL 1897, 7822;—CL 1915, 10258;—CL 1929, 10548;—CL 1948, 457.35.

457.36 Erection of buildings; capital stock, creation, shares.

Sec. 6. Any corporations formed in pursuance of this act may erect and own such suitable edifices, buildings, or halls as such corporations shall deem necessary, with convenient rooms for the meeting of said society, and for that purpose may create a capital stock of not more than 60,000 dollars, to be divided into shares of not more than 25 dollars each.

History: 1875, Act 53, Eff. Aug. 3, 1875;—How. 4518;—CL 1897, 7823;—CL 1915, 10259;—CL 1929, 10549;—CL 1948, 457.36.

457.37 Governing law; amendment of act.

Sec. 7. All corporations formed under the provisions of this act shall be subject to the provisions of chapter 73 of the Compiled Laws of this state, so far as the same may be applicable to corporations formed under this act, and the legislature may alter or amend this act at any time.

History: 1875, Act 53, Eff. Aug. 3, 1875;—How. 4519;—CL 1897, 7824;—CL 1915, 10260;—CL 1929, 10550;—CL 1948, 457.37.

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ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIANS
Act 84 of 1879

AN ACT to provide for the incorporation of state conventions and divisions of the Ancient Order of Hibernians.

History: 1879, Act 84, Imd. Eff. May 20, 1879.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.41 Ancient Order of Hibernians; incorporation.

Sec. 1. That state conventions and subordinate divisions of the Ancient Order of Hibernians of the state of Michigan may be incorporated in pursuance of the provisions of this act.

History: 1879, Act 84, Imd. Eff. May 20, 1879;—How. 4534;—CL 1897, 7825;—CL 1915, 10261;—CL 1929, 10551;—CL 1948, 457.41.

457.42 State convention; articles of association, execution, contents.

Sec. 2. Any 5 or more persons, residents of this state and being members of the [a] state convention of the Ancient Order of Hibernians of the state of Michigan, desirous to become incorporated, may with the consent of such convention, make and execute articles of association under their hands and seals, which said articles of association shall be acknowledged before some officer of this state, having authority to take acknowledgments of deeds, and shall set forth:

First, The names of the persons associating in the first instance, and their place of residence;

Second, The corporate name by which such association shall be known in the law, and the place of its business office;

Third, The object and purpose of such association, which shall be to promote the general welfare of the society known as the "Ancient Order of Hibernians," and the period for which it is incorporated, not exceeding 30 years.

History: 1879, Act 84, Imd. Eff. May 20, 1879;—How. 4535;—CL 1897, 7826;—CL 1915, 10262;—CL 1929, 10552;—CL 1948, 457.42.

457.43 Articles; filing; body corporate, powers.

Sec. 3. A copy of said articles of association shall be filed with the secretary of state, and thereupon the persons, who shall have signed such articles of association, their associates and successors, shall be a body politic and corporate, by the name expressed in such articles of association, and by that name they and their successors shall have succession and shall be persons in the law capable to purchase, take, receive, hold and enjoy to them and their successors, estates, real and personal, of suing and being sued, and they and their successors may have a common seal which may be changed and altered at their pleasure, provided that the value of such real and personal estate shall not exceed the sum of 100,000 dollars, and that they may and their successors shall have authority and power to give, grant, sell, lease, mortgage and dispose of said real and personal estate or any part thereof at their will and pleasure, and the proceeds thereof, rents and incomes therefrom, shall be devoted exclusively to the humane and benevolent purposes of the Ancient Order of Hibernians of the state of Michigan.

History: 1879, Act 84, Imd. Eff. May 20, 1879;—How. 4536;—CL 1897, 7827;—CL 1915, 10263;—CL 1929, 10553;—CL 1948, 457.43.

457.44 By-laws and rules; officers.

Sec. 4. Said corporation shall have full power and authority to make and establish rules, regulations and by-laws for regulating and governing all the affairs and business of said corporation, according to the laws of this state and the United States, and to designate, elect or appoint from its members such officers under such name and style as shall be in accordance with the constitution of said order.

History: 1879, Act 84, Imd. Eff. May 20, 1879;—How. 4537;—CL 1897, 7828;—CL 1915, 10264;—CL 1929, 10554;—CL 1948, 457.44.

457.45 Articles; certified copy as evidence.

Sec. 5. A copy of the record of such articles of association under the seal of the state, duly certified according to law, shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts of this state of the existence and due incorporation of such corporation.

History: 1879, Act 84, Imd. Eff. May 20, 1879;—How. 4538;—CL 1897, 7829;—CL 1915, 10265;—CL 1929, 10555;—CL 1948,

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457.46 Subordinate divisions; chartering; existing divisions; regulation.

Sec. 6. Such corporation when duly formed, shall have power to institute and charter subordinate divisions within this state, and from time to time to make, ordain, constitute and establish such constitution, general laws and by-laws, ordinances and regulations as the state convention shall judge proper for the regulations and government of such subordinate division, not repugnant to the laws of this state: Provided, That the existing subordinate divisions heretofore duly chartered by the state convention, shall be subject to the control of the state conventions under this act as heretofore, and in the same manner and to the same extent as those that may be hereafter instituted and chartered under this act: Provided further, That in case the corporation or persons associating in the first instance, shall by death, resignation or for other causes, under the rules of the state convention become ineligible to act in such capacity, their successors may from time to time be appointed by the state division.

History: 1879, Act 84, Imd. Eff. May 20, 1879;—How. 4539;—CL 1897, 7830;—CL 1915, 10266;—CL 1929, 10556;—CL 1948, 457.46.

457.47 Subordinate divisions; incorporation; body corporate; powers; certified copy of articles as evidence.

Sec. 7. Any 5 or more persons resident of this state, being members of a subordinate division of the "Ancient Order of Hibernians," having been duly chartered by the state convention desirous to become incorporated, may make and execute articles of association, specifying as provided in section 2 of this act, and file a copy of the same with the clerk of the county in which such corporation shall be formed, which shall be recorded by such clerk in a book to be kept in his office for that purpose and thereupon the persons who shall have signed such articles of association, their associates and successors, shall be a body politic and corporate, by the name expressed in such articles of association, and by that name they and their successors shall have succession, and shall be persons in law capable to purchase, hold, enjoy, grant, sell, give, lease and demise real and personal estate, of suing and being sued, and may have a common seal and change and alter the same at pleasure, and a certified copy of the record of such articles of association under the seal of the county where the said record is kept shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts of this state of the existence and due incorporation of such corporation, provided that said corporation shall be limited to the powers and provisions of section 3 of this act regarding real and personal estate and the proceeds thereof under the rules and regulations of the state convention, and may elect or appoint from among its members such officers under such name and style as shall be in accordance with its constitution.

History: 1879, Act 84, Imd. Eff. May 20, 1879;—How. 4540;—CL 1897, 7831;—CL 1915, 10267;—CL 1929, 10557;—CL 1948, 457.47.

457.48 Business office; change of location.

Sec. 8. The location of the business office of the state convention may be changed at any time upon filing a written notice of such change in the office of the secretary of state within 20 days from the time of the change of such location, and any subordinate division may change the location of its business office upon filing a like notice in the office of the clerk of the county where such corporation is organized.

History: 1879, Act 84, Imd. Eff. May 20, 1879;—How. 4541;—CL 1897, 7832;—CL 1915, 10268;—CL 1929, 10558;—CL 1948, 457.48.

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LOYAL ORANGE INSTITUTION
Act 55 of 1895

AN ACT to provide for the incorporation of the grand, district, and subordinate lodges of the Loyal Orange Institution of the state of Michigan; and to impose certain duties upon the department of commerce.

History: 1895, Act 55, Imd. Eff. Mar. 29, 1895;—Am. 1982, Act 77, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.51 Loyal Orange Institution, incorporation.

Sec. 1. That the grand, district and subordinate lodges of the Loyal Orange Institution of the state of Michigan, may be incorporated in pursuance of the provisions of this act.

History: 1895, Act 55, Imd. Eff. Mar. 29, 1895;—CL 1897, 7833;—CL 1915, 10269;—CL 1929, 10559;—CL 1948, 457.51.

457.52 Grand lodge; articles of association, execution, contents.

Sec. 2. The 5 principal officers or in lieu thereof any 5 or more persons, residents of this state, being members of the grand lodge of the Loyal Orange Institution of the state of Michigan, duly chartered as such by the supreme grand Orange lodge of the United States, desiring to become incorporated, may make and execute articles of association, under their hands and seal which said articles of association shall be acknowledged before some officer of the state having authority to take acknowledgment of deeds, and shall set forth:

First, The names of persons associating in the first instance, and their places of residence;

Second, The corporate name by which such association shall be known in the law, and place of its business office;

Third, The object and purpose of such association, which shall be to promote the general welfare of the fraternity, known as the Loyal Orange Institution, and the period for which it is incorporated, not exceeding 30 years.

History: 1895, Act 55, Imd. Eff. Mar. 29, 1895;—CL 1897, 7834;—CL 1915, 10270;—CL 1929, 10560;—CL 1948, 457.52.

457.53 Grand lodge; filing copy of articles with department of commerce; associates and successors as body politic and corporate; power and authority.

Sec. 3. A copy of said articles of association, together with a copy of the charter and constitution of said grand lodge, shall be filed with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, and thereupon the persons who shall have signed such articles of association, their associates and successors, shall be a body politic and corporate, by the name expressed in such articles of association, and by that name they and their successors shall have succession, and shall be persons in the law, capable to purchase, take, receive, hold, and enjoy to them and their successors, estates real and personal, of suing and being sued, and they and their successors may have a common seal, which may be changed and altered at their pleasure, provided that the value of such real and personal estate shall not exceed the sum of $100,000.00 and that they and their successors shall have authority and power to give, grant, sell, lease, demise, and dispose of said real and personal estate, or part thereof, at their will and pleasure, and the proceeds, rents and incomes shall be devoted exclusively to such charitable and benevolent purposes of the Loyal Orange Institution as shall best promote the welfare and the membership and the interests of the society, but such real and personal estate shall be subject to taxation for all purposes. Said corporation shall have the full power and authority to make and establish rules and regulations for the governing of all the affairs and business of said corporation, according to the laws of this state, and the United States, and to designate, elect or appoint from its members such officers, under such name and style, as shall be in accordance with the constitution of the grand lodge.

History: 1895, Act 55, Imd. Eff. Mar. 29, 1895;—CL 1897, 7835;—CL 1915, 10271;—CL 1929, 10561;—CL 1948, 457.53;—Am. 1982, Act 77, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.54 Grand lodge; certified copy of articles as evidence; subordinate lodges, institution; existing lodges; regulation.

Sec. 4. A copy of the record of such articles of association, under the seal of the state, duly certified according to law shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts of this state, of the existence and due incorporation of such corporation. Such corporation, when duly formed, shall have power to institute and charter district and subordinate lodges within this state, and from time to time, to make, ordain, constitute and establish such constitution, general laws and by-laws, ordinances and regulations, as the grand lodge shall judge proper for the regulation and government of such district and subordinate lodges, not repugnant to the

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laws of this state: Provided, That the existing district and subordinate lodges heretofore duly chartered by the supreme grand lodge of the United States, approved by the state grand lodge, shall be subject to the control of said state grand lodge, under this act, as heretofore, and in the same manner and to the same extent as those that may be hereafter instituted and chartered under this act.

History: 1895, Act 55, Imd. Eff. Mar. 29, 1895;—CL 1897, 7836;—CL 1915, 10272;—CL 1929, 10562;—CL 1948, 457.54.

457.55 Subordinate lodge; incorporation; making and executing articles of association; filing copy of articles with department of commerce; associates and successors as body politic and corporate; powers; limitations; evidence of existence and incorporation.

Sec. 5. The 5 principal officers, or in lieu thereof any 5 or more persons, residents of this state being members of a district or subordinate lodge of the Loyal Orange Institution, having been duly chartered by the supreme grand lodge of the United States and approved by the grand lodge of this state, desirous to become incorporated, may make and execute articles of association, specifying as provided in section 2 of this act, and file a copy of the same with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce and thereupon the persons who shall have signed said articles of association, their associates and successors shall be a body politic and corporate, by the name expressed in such articles of association, and by the name they and their successors shall have succession and shall be persons in the law capable to purchase, hold, enjoy, grant, sell, give, lease, and demise real and personal estate; of suing and being sued, and may have a common seal, and change and alter the same at pleasure; and a certified copy of a record of such articles of association, under the seal of the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts of this state of the existence and due incorporation of such corporation: Provided, Said corporation shall be limited to the powers and provisions of section 3 of this act, regarding real and personal estate, and the proceeds thereof, under the rules and regulations of the grand lodge, and may elect or appoint from among its members such officers, under such name and style as shall be in accordance with its constitution.

History: 1895, Act 55, Imd. Eff. Mar. 29, 1895;—CL 1897, 7837;—CL 1915, 10273;—CL 1929, 10563;—CL 1948, 457.55;—Am. 1982, Act 77, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.56 Erection of buildings; capital stock, creation, shares; cemetery or crematorium, purchase, rules and regulations.

Sec. 6. Any corporation formed in pursuance of this act, may erect and own such suitable edifice, buildings or hall as to such corporation may seem proper, with convenient rooms for the meetings of the Loyal Orange Institution; and for that purpose may create a capital stock of not more than 100,000 dollars, to be divided into shares of not more than 25 dollars each: Provided, That said corporation shall have the right and privilege of purchasing said stock in case of sale or transfer of the same by any of its members: And provided further, That none of said stock shall be sold or transferred to any person or persons who are not members in good standing of the Loyal Orange Institution of this state; and any such corporation may take, purchase, hold and own such suitable lot or parcel of ground as may be convenient for the purpose of a cemetery or crematorium and may make all lawful rules and regulations for the disposition of lots and the disposal of its dead, as to such corporation may seem proper.

History: 1895, Act 55, Imd. Eff. Mar. 29, 1895;—CL 1897, 7838;—CL 1915, 10274;—CL 1929, 10564;—CL 1948, 457.56.

457.57 Governing law; amendment of act.

Sec. 7. All corporations formed under this act, shall be subject to the provisions of chapter 73, of the Compiled Laws of this state, so far as the same may be applicable to corporations formed under this act; and the legislature may alter or amend this act at any time.

History: 1895, Act 55, Imd. Eff. Mar. 29, 1895;—CL 1897, 7839;—CL 1915, 10275;—CL 1929, 10565;—CL 1948, 457.57.

Compiler's note: For provisions of chapter 73, referred to in this section, which have not been repealed or reenacted, see § 450.504 et seq.

457.58 Changing location of business office; filing written notice of change with department of commerce.

Sec. 8. The location of the business office of the grand lodge of the Loyal Orange Institution, may be changed at any time, upon filing a written notice of such change with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce within 20 days from the time of the change of such location.

History: 1895, Act 55, Imd. Eff. Mar. 29, 1895;—CL 1897, 7840;—CL 1915, 10276;—CL 1929, 10566;—CL 1948, 457.58;—Am. 1982, Act 77, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

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ST. JEAN BAPTISTE SOCIETIES
Act 99 of 1871

AN ACT to provide for the incorporation of St. Jean Baptiste societies; and to impose certain duties upon the department of commerce.

History: 1871, Act 99, Imd. Eff. Apr. 13, 1871;—Am. 1982, Act 78, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.61 St. Jean Baptiste societies; incorporators; articles of association, execution, contents.

Sec. 1. That whenever any 10 or more persons, residents of any county in this state, and being members of any St. Jean Baptiste society already formed, or any 10 or more persons, residents of any county in this state, desirous of forming such a society, desire to become incorporated, may make and execute articles of association under their hands and seals, which said articles of association shall be acknowledged before some officer of this state having authority to take acknowledgments of deeds, and shall set forth:

First. The names of the persons associating in the first instance, and their places of residence;

Second. The corporate name of the association, and the place where its meetings shall be held;

Third. The object and purpose of the association, which may be charitable, benevolent, or literary, or any 2, or all of these combined; and also the period for which it is incorporated, not exceeding 30 years.

History: 1871, Act 99, Imd. Eff. Apr. 13, 1871;—CL 1871, 3125;—How. 4604;—CL 1897, 7849;—CL 1915, 10285;—CL 1929, 10567;—CL 1948, 457.61.

457.62 French as official language.

Sec. 2. The French language may be adopted as the official language of such societies, and all records and proceedings may be kept, and all meetings held in that language, and translations of any of the documents belonging to such societies duly authenticated as correct translations of such documents, or of the original documents translated from the French into the English language, shall be received whenever necessary in all courts of law within this state.

History: 1871, Act 99, Imd. Eff. Apr. 13, 1871;—CL 1871, 3126;—How. 4605;—CL 1897, 7850;—CL 1915, 10286;—CL 1929, 10568;—CL 1948, 457.62.

457.63 Filing copy of articles of association, constitution, and bylaws with department of commerce; signers and successors as body corporate and politic; powers, evidence of existence and incorporation.

Sec. 3. A copy of said articles of association together with a copy of the constitution and bylaws of the association of which the persons executing said articles are members, duly translated into the English language and properly authenticated as a correct translation of the same, from the French into the English language, and duly sworn to and acknowledged as such, by the person translating the same, before some officer of this state having authority to take acknowledgments of deeds whenever said articles of association and the bylaws have been or shall be originally written in the French language, shall be filed with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce and thereupon the persons who have signed said articles of association and their successors, shall be a body corporate and politic, and known in law and in fact by the name expressed in such articles of association; and by that name they and their successors shall have succession, and shall be persons in law capable of suing and being sued, and they and their successors may have a common seal and may alter and change the same at pleasure, and a certified copy of the record of such articles of association, under the seal of the corporations bureau of the department of commerce, shall be received as prima facie evidence of the due existence and incorporation of such association in all courts within this state.

History: 1871, Act 99, Imd. Eff. Apr. 13, 1871;—CL 1871, 3127;—How. 4606;—CL 1897, 7851;—CL 1915, 10287;—CL 1929, 10569;—CL 1948, 457.63;—Am. 1982, Act 78, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.64 Directors; powers; ex-officio members.

Sec. 4. The management and direction of the interests, affairs, and property of such association shall be vested in a board of directors of not less than 5, nor more than 20, of whom the officers of such association shall be ex-officio members of said board.

History: 1871, Act 99, Imd. Eff. Apr. 13, 1871;—CL 1871, 3128;—How. 4607;—CL 1897, 7852;—CL 1915, 10288;—CL 1929,

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10570;—CL 1948, 457.64.

457.65 Officers; election.

Sec. 5. Every such association shall have full power and authority, by its by-laws or otherwise, from time to time to designate and elect from among its members such officers of such association as it may see fit under such name and style as may be in accordance with its constitution.

History: 1871, Act 99, Imd. Eff. Apr. 13, 1871;—CL 1871, 3129;—How. 4608;—CL 1897, 7853;—CL 1915, 10289;—CL 1929, 10571;—CL 1948, 457.65.

457.66 State society; incorporation; filing copy of articles, constitution, and bylaws with department of commerce; powers and duties; object and purpose.

Sec. 6. Any number of members, not less than 10, belonging to 1 or more such associations as is provided for in the foregoing sections, after becoming incorporated themselves, may proceed in like manner to form a state society of St. Jean Baptiste, in the manner, as near as may be, hereinbefore provided for the incorporation of associations by residents of counties, but shall in addition thereto file a copy of its articles of association, its constitution and bylaws with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, and such state association shall have such powers as may be granted to it, and shall perform such duties as may be prescribed for it by the county associations taking part in its organization; And provided, That its object and purpose shall be in accordance with the provisions of this act establishing county associations of St. Jean Baptiste: And provided further, That the county associations taking part in its organization may endow it with all requisite powers of superior jurisdiction, and the power of organizing new societies of St. Jean Baptiste, as from time to time it may deem necessary or proper.

History: 1871, Act 99, Imd. Eff. Apr. 13, 1871;—CL 1871, 3130;—How. 4609;—CL 1897, 7854;—CL 1915, 10290;—CL 1929, 10572;—CL 1948, 457.66;—Am. 1982, Act 78, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

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FRENCH CANADIAN SOCIETY
Act 159 of 1893

AN ACT to incorporate The Union of the French Canadian Society of the United States.

History: 1893, Act 159, Imd. Eff. May 31, 1893.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.71 French Canadian Society; incorporation.

Sec. 1. That The Union of the French Canadian Society of the United States may be incorporated in pursuance of the provisions of this act.

History: 1893, Act 159, Imd. Eff. May 31, 1893;—CL 1897, 7855;—CL 1915, 10291;—CL 1929, 10573;—CL 1948, 457.71.

457.72 Articles of association; execution, contents.

Sec. 2. Any 10 or more persons residents of this state, being members of any French Canadian society of the state of Michigan, desirous to be incorporated may make and execute articles of association under their hands and seal, which articles of association shall be acknowledged before some officer authorized by law to take acknowledgments of deeds, and shall set forth,

First, The names of the persons associating in the first instance, and their places of residence;

Second, The corporate name by which the association shall be known which shall be The Union of the French Canadian Society of the United States, the place of its principal business office, and period for which it is incorporated, not exceeding 30 years;

Third, The object and purpose of the association, which shall be to unite all the French Canadian societies organized or to be organized hereafter, to promote the general welfare, to improve the mental, social, and moral condition of the members of the union, and to provide for the relief of the families and heirs of deceased members of the union, but neither such purpose nor the condition of membership in said association shall include any requirement from the members to discriminate against any person in respect to civil rights because of religious belief or affiliation.

History: 1893, Act 159, Imd. Eff. May 31, 1893;—CL 1897, 7856;—CL 1915, 10292;—CL 1929, 10574;—CL 1948, 457.72.

457.73 Articles; constitution; filing; body corporate, powers.

Sec. 3. A copy of said articles of association together with a copy of the constitution of said union shall be filed with the secretary of state, and thereupon the persons who shall have signed said articles of association, their associates and successors, shall be a body corporate and politic and known in the law and in fact by the name heretofore designated and by that name they and their successors shall have succession and shall be a person in the law capable to purchase, take, receive, own and enjoy through them and their successors estates real and personal, of suing and being sued, and to have a common seal which may be altered or changed at their pleasure, and they and their successors shall have power to give, grant, sell, lease, demise and dispose of such real and personal estate or part thereof at their will and pleasure, and the proceeds, rents, and incomes shall be devoted exclusively to the charitable and benevolent purposes of the union.

History: 1893, Act 159, Imd. Eff. May 31, 1893;—CL 1897, 7857;—CL 1915, 10293;—CL 1929, 10575;—CL 1948, 457.73.

457.74 By-laws and rules; officers.

Sec. 4. Said corporation shall have the power to make and establish rules, regulations and by-laws for regulating and governing all the officers and business of said corporation not repugnant to the laws of this state or of the United States, and to designate, elect or appoint from its members such officers under such name and style as shall be in accordance with the constitution of the union.

History: 1893, Act 159, Imd. Eff. May 31, 1893;—CL 1897, 7858;—CL 1915, 10294;—CL 1929, 10576;—CL 1948, 457.74.

457.75 Articles; certified copy as evidence.

Sec. 5. A copy of the record of said articles of association under the seal of this state duly certified according to law shall be received as prima facie evidence of the due existence and incorporation of such association in all the courts of the state and of the United States.

History: 1893, Act 159, Imd. Eff. May 31, 1893;—CL 1897, 7859;—CL 1915, 10295;—CL 1929, 10577;—CL 1948, 457.75.

457.76 Subordinate branches; chartering, powers, revocation.

Sec. 6. Such corporation when duly formed shall have power to affiliate and charter subordinate branches of said order which subordinate branches shall have power to make and adopt their own constitution and

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by-laws not repugnant to the constitution and by-laws adopted by the union or hereafter amended and adopted by the union, and in case of noncompliance with the general laws, by-laws, ordinances and regulations of the union, to revoke and annul the charter granted to such subordinate branch.

History: 1893, Act 159, Imd. Eff. May 31, 1893;—CL 1897, 7860;—CL 1915, 10296;—CL 1929, 10578;—CL 1948, 457.76.

457.77 Subordinate branches; incorporation; body corporate, powers; certified copy of articles as evidence.

Sec. 7. Any 9 or more persons, residents of this state, being members of any subordinate branch of the union desirous to become incorporated, may make and execute articles of association under their hands and seals specifying as in article 2 of this act, and file a copy of such articles with the clerk of the county in which such corporation shall be formed, which shall be recorded by the clerk in such book to be kept in his office for that purpose, and thereupon the persons who shall have signed such articles of association, their associates and successors, shall be a body politic and corporate by the name expressed in such articles of association, and by that name they and their successors shall have succession, and shall be persons in the law capable to purchase, hold and enjoy, grant, sell, give and lease and demise real and personal estate, of suing and being sued, and may have a common seal and may change and alter the same at pleasure, and a certified copy of the record of such articles of association under the seal of the county where the records are kept shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts in this state of the existence and due incorporation of said corporation, and they and their successors shall have authority and power to give, grant, sell, lease, demise and dispose of said real and personal estate or part thereof, at their will and pleasure, and the proceeds, rents and income shall be devoted exclusively to the charitable and benevolent purpose of the branch of the union.

History: 1893, Act 159, Imd. Eff. May 31, 1893;—CL 1897, 7861;—CL 1915, 10297;—CL 1929, 10579;—CL 1948, 457.77.

457.78 Insurance business.

Sec. 8. Corporations in pursuance of this act shall not be considered as engaged in the business of life insurance nor shall they be subject to the provisions of the statutes relating to life insurance or mutual benefit corporations, companies or associations.

History: 1893, Act 159, Imd. Eff. May 31, 1893;—CL 1897, 7862;—CL 1915, 10298;—CL 1929, 10580;—CL 1948, 457.78.

457.79 Principal business office; location.

Sec. 9. The principal business office of the union of the French Canadian society of the United States shall follow and be located at the place where the secretary thereof shall reside; and immediately after each election of officers of said corporation the secretary elect shall certify, under the corporate seal, his name, residence and location of such principal business office to the secretary of state.

History: Add. 1901, Act 119, Eff. Sept. 5, 1901;—CL 1915, 10299;—CL 1929, 10581;—CL 1948, 457.79.

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COLONIAL DAMES OF AMERICA
Act 35 of 1897

AN ACT for the incorporation of national societies of Colonial Dames of America in Michigan.

History: 1897, Act 35, Eff. Aug. 30, 1897.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.81 Colonial Dames of America; incorporation.

Sec. 1. That national societies of Colonial Dames of America in Michigan may be incorporated under the provisions of this act.

History: 1897, Act 35, Eff. Aug. 30, 1897;—CL 1897, 7863;—CL 1915, 10300;—CL 1929, 10582;—CL 1948, 457.81.

457.82 Articles of association; execution, contents.

Sec. 2. Any 25 or more persons, residents of this state, being members of a national society of Colonial Dames of America in Michigan, desiring to be incorporated, may make and execute articles of association under their hands and seals, which shall be acknowledged before some officer authorized by law to take acknowledgments of deeds and shall set forth:

First, The names and places of residence of the persons associating in the first instance;

Second, The corporate name by which the association shall be known, provided that no persons associating under this act shall be allowed to take the same name as any association heretofore incorporated; the place of its principal business office, and the period for which it is incorporated, which shall not exceed 30 years;

Third, The object and purpose of the association, which shall be to collect manuscripts, traditions, relics and mementoes of by-gone days for preservation, and to hold from time to time, as the society may direct, a loan exhibition to commemorate the success of the American revolution and consequent birth of our glorious republic; to diffuse healthful and intelligent information in whatever concerns the past and tends to create popular interest in American history; and, with a true spirit of patriotism, seek to inspire genuine love of country in every heart within its range of influence; and to teach the young that it is a sacred obligation to do justice and honor to heroic ancestors whose ability, valor, sufferings and achievements are worthy of praise.

History: 1897, Act 35, Eff. Aug. 30, 1897;—CL 1897, 7864;—CL 1915, 10301;—CL 1929, 10583;—CL 1948, 457.82.

457.83 Articles; filing; body corporate, powers.

Sec. 3. A copy of said articles of association shall be filed with the secretary of state, and thereupon the persons who have signed such articles of association, their associates and successors, shall be a body corporate and known in the law and in fact by the name assumed by them in said articles of association, and by that name they and their associates and successors shall have succession and be capable to purchase, take, hold, receive and enjoy real, personal and mixed property; to sue and be sued, to have a common seal; and shall have authority and power to give, grant, demise, sell, lease and dispose of such real and personal and mixed estate belonging to them, or any part thereof, as they may see fit.

History: 1897, Act 35, Eff. Aug. 30, 1897;—CL 1897, 7865;—CL 1915, 10302;—CL 1929, 10584;—CL 1948, 457.83.

457.84 Constitution and by-laws; contents.

Sec. 4. Said corporation shall have power to make and adopt a proper constitution and by-laws, prescribing the names and duties of its officers and all necessary and lawful rules and regulations for the government of its business.

History: 1897, Act 35, Eff. Aug. 30, 1897;—CL 1897, 7866;—CL 1915, 10303;—CL 1929, 10585;—CL 1948, 457.84.

457.85 Articles; certified copy as evidence.

Sec. 5. A copy of such articles of association, duly certified under the seal of the state, shall be prima facie evidence of the due existence and incorporation of such association.

History: 1897, Act 35, Eff. Aug. 30, 1897;—CL 1897, 7867;—CL 1915, 10304;—CL 1929, 10586;—CL 1948, 457.85.

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KNIGHTS OF LABOR OF NORTH AMERICA
Act 159 of 1883

AN ACT to provide for the incorporation of local assemblies of the order of Knights of Labor of North America, and of district assemblies thereof in the state of Michigan; and to impose certain duties upon the department of commerce.

History: 1883, Act 159, Imd. Eff. June 6, 1883;—Am. 1982, Act 447, Eff. Mar. 30, 1983.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.151 Local assembly; incorporation procedure.

Sec. 1. That any local assembly of the order of the Knights of Labor of North America, duly organized within this state under and pursuant to the provisions of the constitution and laws of the general assembly of the Knights of Labor of North America, may become a body corporate and politic in the manner following, viz:

First, At a regular meeting of such local assembly a resolution shall be put to a vote of the members thereof present, expressing the desire and determination of such local assembly to be incorporated, and directing the officers thereof to perfect such incorporation, and if such resolution be adopted by a 2/3 vote of all members in good standing it shall be declared adopted, otherwise lost;

Second, On such resolution being passed, the master workman and recording secretary of the assembly shall prepare articles of association under their hands and the seal of the assembly setting forth the number of persons then in good standing in the assembly desiring incorporation, the name by which the assembly is known and its number, the date of its organization, a copy of the resolution mentioned in the first subdivision of this section, the corporate name by which the assembly shall be known in the law, the general object and purpose of the association, which shall in no way conflict or be inconsistent with the object and purpose of the general assembly of the order of Knights of Labor of North America as stated in its constitution, nor in conflict or inconsistent with any law of the United States or of this state, and the period for which it is incorporated, not exceeding 30 years;

Third, A copy of such articles of association shall be filed with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce together with the affidavit hereinafter named;

Fourth, The master workman and recording secretary executing such articles of association shall make and annex thereto before filing, an affidavit stating that they are respectively members of and occupy the official positions above named in said local assembly, that the resolution, a copy of which is set out in the articles of association, was duly adopted at a regular meeting of the assembly, and by a 2/3 vote of all members in good standing, and that all the statements in said articles of association are true to the best of their and each of their knowledge and belief, and that said local assembly is organized and acting under the constitution of the general assembly of the order of the Knights of Labor of North America.

History: 1883, Act 159, Imd. Eff. June 6, 1883;—How. 4577-l;—CL 1897, 7868;—CL 1915, 10305;—CL 1929, 10587;—CL 1948, 457.151;—Am. 1982, Act 447, Eff. Mar. 30, 1983.

457.152 Local assembly; body corporate and politic; name; powers; certified copy of articles and affidavit as evidence.

Sec. 2. When the foregoing requirements are complied with, the local assembly shall be a body corporate and politic by the name expressed in such articles of association, and by that name shall be a person in law, capable of suing and being sued, and a copy of said articles of association and affidavit duly certified by the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, shall be prima facie evidence in all the courts of this state of the existence and incorporation of said local assembly.

History: 1883, Act 159, Imd. Eff. June 6, 1883;—How. 4577m;—CL 1897, 7869;—CL 1915, 10306;—CL 1929, 10588;—CL 1948, 457.152;—Am. 1982, Act 447, Eff. Mar. 30, 1983.

457.153 Certified copy of articles with affidavit attached as evidence.

Sec. 3. A copy of such articles of association with an affidavit attached, as provided in section 1 of this act, duly certified by the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, shall in all the courts of this state be prima facie evidence of the existence and incorporation of said local assembly.

History: 1883, Act 159, Imd. Eff. June 6, 1883;—How. 4577n;—CL 1897, 7870;—CL 1915, 10307;—CL 1929, 10589;—CL 1948, 457.153;—Am. 1982, Act 447, Eff. Mar. 30, 1983.

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457.154 District assembly; incorporation procedure; certified copy of articles as evidence.

Sec. 4. Any district assembly of the order of the Knights of Labor of North America, organized and acting under and pursuant to the constitution and laws of the general assembly of the order, may become incorporated by adopting a like resolution as provided in section 1 of this act, executing articles of association under the hands of its district master workman and district recording secretary and the seal of the district assembly, containing like statements as those required in articles of association for the incorporation of local assemblies, with a like affidavit annexed, made by the above named officers, and filing the same with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce. A copy thereof duly certified by the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce shall have the same force and effect as evidence as is provided in section 2 of this act. A certified copy of such articles may be filed with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce in the same manner and shall have the same force and effect as evidence as is provided in said section.

History: 1883, Act 159, Imd. Eff. June 6, 1883;—How. 4577o;—CL 1897, 7871;—CL 1915, 10308;—CL 1929, 10590;—CL 1948, 457.154;—Am. 1982, Act 447, Eff. Mar. 30, 1983.

457.155 Property; holding, disposition.

Sec. 5. Every corporation formed pursuant to the provisions of this act may take and hold personal and real property so far as the same may be necessary or convenient for the purposes of the organization, not exceeding 50,000 dollars in amount and may convey, incumber, and deal with the same as it may from time to time determine by a majority vote of all members in good standing: Provided, That no property held and owned by such corporation shall be sold or incumbered except at a regular or special meeting of the assembly, 5 days' written notice of which shall have been given to every member in good standing and at the time being within the jurisdiction, which notice shall briefly state the disposition intended to be made of such property, describing it, and shall be signed by the district recording secretary or recording secretary, as the case may be, and with the seal of the assembly attached.

History: 1883, Act 159, Imd. Eff. June 6, 1883;—How. 4577p;—CL 1897, 7872;—CL 1915, 10309;—CL 1929, 10591;—CL 1948, 457.155.

457.156 Control of business of corporation.

Sec. 6. The management, direction, and control of the property and business of such corporation shall be vested in such of its officers and members as a majority of its members present and acting thereon at any regular meeting of the assembly shall from time to time determine.

History: 1883, Act 159, Imd. Eff. June 6, 1883;—How. 4577q;—CL 1897, 7873;—CL 1915, 10310;—CL 1929, 10592;—CL 1948, 457.156.

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SONS OF INDUSTRY
Act 9 of 1885

AN ACT to provide for the incorporation, and to define the objects, of the order of the Sons of Industry.

History: 1885, Act 9, Imd. Eff. Mar. 4, 1885.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.171 Sons of Industry; supreme lodge; incorporation.

Sec. 1. That the supreme lodge of the order of the Sons of Industry may be incorporated in pursuance of this act.

History: 1885, Act 9, Imd. Eff. Mar. 4, 1885;—How. 4577r;—CL 1897, 7874;—CL 1915, 10311;—CL 1929, 10593;—CL 1948, 457.171.

457.172 Articles of association; execution, contents.

Sec. 2. Any 5 or more persons, resident of this state, being members of the supreme lodge of the Sons of Industry, may make and execute articles of association under their hands and seals, which articles of association shall be acknowledged before some officer authorized by law to execute deeds, and shall set forth:

First, The names of the persons associating in the first instance, and their places of residence;

Second, The corporate name by which such association shall be known in law, and the place of its business office;

Third, The object and purpose of such association, which shall be to promote the general welfare, and create a fraternal feeling amongst its members, and also to provide benefits to its members, and their widows, orphans, or heirs;

Fourth, The period for which the association may be incorporated shall be 30 years.

History: 1885, Act 9, Imd. Eff. Mar. 4, 1885;—How. 4577s;—CL 1897, 7875;—CL 1915, 10312;—CL 1929, 10594;—CL 1948, 457.172.

457.173 Articles; filing; body corporate, powers.

Sec. 3. The original articles of association of said supreme lodge, shall be filed with the secretary of state, and thereupon the persons who shall have signed such articles of association, their associates and successors, shall be a body politic and corporate, by the name expressed in such articles of association, and by that name they and their successors shall be known, have succession, and be persons in law, capable to take, receive, hold, and enjoy, to them and their successors, estates, real and personal; Provided, That the value of such estates shall not exceed the sum of 10,000 dollars, and that the proceeds, rents, and incomes realized therefrom, shall be devoted exclusively to the charitable and benevolent purposes of the said supreme lodge as herein defined; and they shall also be capable of suing and being sued, and to have a common seal, which may be altered or changed at their pleasure. Said corporation shall have full power to make and establish its rules, regulations, and by-laws for regulating its business and affairs, and to designate, elect, or appoint from its members, such officers, under such name as may be designated from time to time.

History: 1885, Act 9, Imd. Eff. Mar. 4, 1885;—How. 4577t;—CL 1897, 7876;—CL 1915, 10313;—CL 1929, 10595;—CL 1948, 457.173.

457.174 Articles; certified copy as evidence.

Sec. 4. A transcript of such articles of association, under the seal of the state, duly certified according to law, shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts in this state of the existence and due incorporation of such corporation.

History: 1885, Act 9, Imd. Eff. Mar. 4, 1885;—How. 4577u;—CL 1897, 7877;—CL 1915, 10314;—CL 1929, 10596;—CL 1948, 457.174.

457.175 Grand and subordinate lodges, chartering; existing lodges, regulation.

Sec. 5. Such corporation, when duly formed, shall have power to institute and charter grand and subordinate lodges of said order, and from time to time to make, ordain, constitute, and establish such general laws and by-laws, ordinances, and regulations for the government of such grand or subordinate lodge, as to them shall seem proper and necessary; and in case of violation, or non-compliance with such ordinances, by-laws, and regulations, to revoke and annul the charter granted such grand or subordinate lodges: Provided, That the existing subordinate lodges, heretofore duly chartered by the supreme lodge, shall be subject to the control of the supreme lodge under this act, as heretofore, and in the same manner, and to the same extent as those that may hereafter be instituted and chartered under this act.

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History: 1885, Act 9, Imd. Eff. Mar. 4, 1885;—How. 4577v;—CL 1897, 7878;—CL 1915, 10315;—CL 1929, 10597;—CL 1948, 457.175.

457.176 Governing law; amendment of act.

Sec. 6. All corporations formed under this act shall be subject to the provisions of chapter 130 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, so far as the same may be applicable to corporations formed under this act; and the legislature may alter or amend this act at any time.

History: 1885, Act 9, Imd. Eff. Mar. 4, 1885;—How. 4577w;—CL 1897, 7879;—CL 1915, 10316;—CL 1929, 10598;—CL 1948, 457.176.

Compiler's note: For provisions of chapter 130, referred to in this section, which have not been repealed or reenacted, see § 450.504 et seq.

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MASONIC LODGES
Act 145 of 1865

AN ACT to provide for the incorporation of Masonic Lodges; and to impose certain duties upon the department of commerce.

History: 1865, Act 145, Imd. Eff. Mar. 10, 1865;—Am. 1982, Act 94, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.201 Masonic lodges; incorporation.

Sec. 1. That any chapter of Royal Arch Masons, and any chartered lodge of the order of Free and Accepted Masons, may be incorporated in pursuance of the provisions of this act.

History: 1865, Act 145, Imd. Eff. Mar. 10, 1865;—CL 1871, 3217;—How. 4472;—CL 1897, 7961;—CL 1915, 10398;—CL 1929, 10599;—CL 1948, 457.201.

457.202 Incorporators; articles of association, execution, contents.

Sec. 2. Any 10 or more residents of this state being members either of any commandery of Knights, Templars, council, chapter of Royal Arch Masons or of any chartered lodge of the order of Free and Accepted Masons or being members of any such commandery, council, chapter or lodge who shall be desirous to become incorporated, may make and execute articles of association under their hands and seals, which said articles of association shall be acknowledged before some officer of this state, having authority to take acknowledgments of deeds, and shall set forth—

First, The names of persons associating in the first instance, and their place of residence;

Second, The name and location of the lodge of which they are members; or the name and location of the commandery, council or chapter of which they are members; and in case it is the intention to incorporate a lodge and chapter together, the names of both such lodge and chapter shall be stated or given;

Third, The corporate name by which such association shall be known in the law;

Fourth, The object and purpose of such association, which shall be to promote the general welfare of the Masonic fraternity, and the period for which it is incorporated, not exceeding 30 years.

History: 1865, Act 145, Imd. Eff. Mar. 10, 1865;—Am. 1867, Act 141, Imd. Eff. Mar. 27, 1867;—CL 1871, 3218;—How. 4473;—CL 1897, 7962;—CL 1915, 10399;—CL 1929, 10600;—CL 1948, 457.202.

457.203 Filing copy of articles and charter with department of commerce; signers of articles, associates, and successors as body politic and corporate.

Sec. 3. A copy of said articles of association, together with a copy of the charter of the lodge or chapter, of which the persons executing said articles are members, or in case a lodge and chapter are to be incorporated together, a copy of the charters of both such lodge and chapter of which such persons are members of 1 or both, shall be filed with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce and thereupon the persons who shall have signed said articles of association, their associates and successors, shall be a body politic and corporate, by the name expressed in such articles of association; and by that name they and their successors shall have succession, and shall be persons in the law, capable of suing and being sued, and they and their successors may have a common seal, and the same may change and alter at pleasure; and a certified copy of the record of such articles of association, under the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts in this state of the existence and due incorporation of such corporation.

History: 1865, Act 145, Imd. Eff. Mar. 10, 1865;—Am. 1867, Act 141, Imd. Eff. Mar. 27, 1867;—CL 1871, 3219;—How. 4474;—CL 1897, 7963;—CL 1915, 10400;—CL 1929, 10601;—CL 1948, 457.203;—Am. 1982, Act 94, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.204 Erection of buildings; capital stock, creation, shares; property, holding and disposition; cemetery.

Sec. 4. Every corporation formed in pursuance with this act may erect and own such suitable edifice, building or hall as to such corporation shall seem proper, with convenient rooms for the meetings of the Masonic bodies, and for this purpose may create a capital stock of not more than 500,000 dollars, to be divided into shares of not more than 50 dollars each, and may take, receive, purchase and hold in its corporate capacity real and personal estate, and the same or any part thereof, demise, convey, mortgage, use and dispose of at pleasure; and any such corporation may take, purchase, hold and own such suitable lot or parcel of ground as may be convenient for the purpose of a cemetery; and make all lawful rules and regulations for the disposal of lots and the burial of the dead therein as to such corporation may seem proper.

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History: 1865, Act 145, Imd. Eff. Mar. 10, 1865;—Am. 1867, Act 180, Imd. Eff. Mar. 27, 1867;—CL 1871, 3220;—How. 4475;—Am. 1893, Act 33, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1893;—CL 1897, 7964;—CL 1915, 10401;—CL 1929, 10602;—CL 1948, 457.204.

457.205 Board of trustees; election, quorum; officers, appointment, duties.

Sec. 5. The stockholders, each of whom shall be entitled to 1 vote for each share of stock held by him, may elect from their number a board of trustees of not less than 6 nor more than 15 members, a majority of whom shall constitute a quorum, and the trustees shall appoint from their own number a president, secretary and treasurer, who shall perform the duties of their respective offices in accordance with the rules and regulations which may be prescribed by the board of trustees.

History: 1865, Act 145, Imd. Eff. Mar. 10, 1865;—Am. 1867, Act 180, Imd. Eff. Mar. 27, 1867;—CL 1871, 3221;—How. 4476;—Am. 1893, Act 33, Imd. Eff. Apr. 14, 1893;—CL 1897, 7965;—CL 1915, 10402;—CL 1929, 10603;—CL 1948, 457.205.

457.206 Board of trustees; powers.

Sec. 6. The management and direction of the interests, affairs and property of such corporation shall be vested in said board of trustees, and said board shall make all needful rules, ordinances and by-laws, regulating the transaction of the business and management of the property, and all the affairs, concerns and interests of such corporation, and providing for the time and manner of electing the officers and trustees of the corporation, and the length of the terms of office of the trustees, a part of whom, after the first election, shall be chosen annually: Provided, That such rules, ordinances and by-laws, shall not be repugnant to the constitution and laws of the grand lodge of the order of Free Masons of the state of Michigan, and the constitution and laws of the United States and this state.

History: 1865, Act 145, Imd. Eff. Mar. 10, 1865;—CL 1871, 3222;—How. 4477;—CL 1897, 7966;—CL 1915, 10403;—CL 1929, 10604;—CL 1948, 457.206.

457.207 By-laws and rules; powers of trustees.

Sec. 7. Every corporation organized under and in pursuance of this act, shall have full power and authority to provide by its by-laws, from time to time, for the election from its members of such other officers of the corporation, under and by such name and style as shall be in accordance with its Masonic constitution; and instead of appointing a board of trustees to have the management and control of its property, interests and affairs, as provided in sections 5 and 6 of this act, may, if the corporation so choose, provide in its by-laws that the property, affairs and interests of the corporation, shall be managed and controlled by such persons or officers of the corporation, or in such manner as the corporation shall from time to time provide for that purpose in such by-laws; and the corporation may enact all such by-laws, rules and regulations as may be necessary for its government, and for the care and management of its property, affairs and interests, and to carry into effect the powers and privileges in this act granted, and may alter and amend the same at pleasure: Provided, That in all cases where such corporation shall choose to appoint a board of trustees to have the management of its property and affairs such board shall have the powers and the management and direction of the interests and property of the corporation, as provided in said sections 5 and 6 of this act.

History: 1865, Act 145, Imd. Eff. Mar. 10, 1865;—Am. 1867, Act 180, Imd. Eff. Mar. 27, 1867;—CL 1871, 3223;—How. 4478;—CL 1897, 7967;—CL 1915, 10404;—CL 1929, 10605;—CL 1948, 457.207.

Compiler's note: The phrase “if the corporation so choose,” evidently should read “if the corporation so chooses,”.

457.208 Governing law; amendment of act.

Sec. 8. All corporations, formed under this act, shall be subject to the provisions of chapter 73, of the Compiled Laws of this state, so far as the same may be applicable to corporations formed under this act, and the legislature may alter or amend this act at any time.

History: 1865, Act 145, Imd. Eff. Mar. 10, 1865;—Am. 1867, Act 180, Imd. Eff. Mar. 27, 1867;—Am. 1869, Act 61, Imd. Eff. Mar. 26, 1869;—CL 1871, 3224;—How. 4479;—CL 1897, 7968;—CL 1915, 10405;—CL 1929, 10606;—CL 1948, 457.208.

Compiler's note: For provisions of chapter 73, referred to in this section, which have not been repealed or reenacted, see § 450.504 et seq.

457.209 Effective date of act.

Sec. 9. This act shall take immediate effect.

History: 1865, Act 145, Imd. Eff. Mar. 10, 1865;—CL 1871, 3224;—CL 1915, 10406;—CL 1929, 10607;—CL 1948, 457.209.

457.210 Incorporated lodge or chapter; surrender of corporate rights, powers, and liabilities; effect; reincorporation.

Sec. 10. Any lodge or chapter which shall have been incorporated before this act as amended takes effect as a law, may by a vote of the members of such lodge or chapter at any regular meeting thereof surrender their

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corporate rights, powers and liabilities; but such surrender shall not in any manner affect any suits which may be pending, or any action or causes of action accrued or accruing or any rights which any person may have acquired by virtue of such incorporation; but before such surrender shall be valid, a certificate of the proper officer under the seal of such lodge or chapter shall be filed in the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce certifying that such lodge or chapter has voted to surrender its corporate rights and any such lodge or chapter having so surrendered its corporate rights may be again incorporated in conformity with this act as hereby amended.

History: Add. 1867, Act 141, Imd. Eff. Mar. 27, 1867;—CL 1871, 3225;—How. 4480;—CL 1897, 7969;—CL 1915, 10407;—CL 1929, 10608;—CL 1948, 457.210;—Am. 1982, Act 94, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

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MASONIC ASSOCIATIONS
Act 1 of 1895

AN ACT to provide for the incorporation of Masonic Associations; and to impose certain duties upon the department of commerce.

History: 1895, Act 1, Imd. Eff. Feb. 15, 1895;—Am. 1982, Act 95, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.221 Masonic associations; incorporation.

Sec. 1. That Masonic associations may be incorporated under the provisions of this act.

History: 1895, Act 1, Imd. Eff. Feb. 15, 1895;—CL 1897, 7970;—CL 1915, 10408;—CL 1929, 10609;—CL 1948, 457.221.

457.222 Articles of association; execution, contents.

Sec. 2. Any 10 or more residents of this state, who are members of any chartered body, or of different chartered bodies of the order of Free and Accepted Masons, may make and execute articles of association under their hands and seals, which said articles of association shall be acknowledged before some officer of this state having authority to take acknowledgment of deeds, and shall set forth:

First, The names of the persons associating in the first instance, their places of residence and the name and location of the Masonic body or bodies to which they severally belong.

Second, The corporate name by which such association shall be known in the law.

Third, The purpose of the association, which shall be to provide a building or buildings to be used for Masonic purposes, and the period for which such association is incorporated, not exceeding 30 years.

History: 1895, Act 1, Imd. Eff. Feb. 15, 1895;—CL 1897, 7971;—CL 1915, 10409;—CL 1929, 10610;—CL 1948, 457.222.

457.223 Filing copy of articles with department of commerce; signers of articles, associates, and successors as body corporate; evidence of existence and incorporation.

Sec. 3. A copy of said articles of association shall be filed with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce and thereupon the persons who shall have signed said articles of association, their associates and successors, shall be a body corporate by the name expressed in such articles of association. A copy of such articles of association, under the seal of the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts of this state of the existence and due incorporation of such association.

History: 1895, Act 1, Imd. Eff. Feb. 15, 1895;—CL 1897, 7972;—CL 1915, 10410;—CL 1929, 10611;—CL 1948, 457.223;—Am. 1982, Act 95, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.224 Property; holding, disposition; erection of buildings; borrowing power.

Sec. 4. Every corporation organized under the provisions of this act may take, receive, purchase and hold in its corporate capacity, and for its corporate purposes, real and personal property and the same or any part thereof demise, sell, convey, use and dispose of at pleasure; and may erect and own suitable building or buildings to be used in whole or in part for meetings of Masonic bodies and may borrow money and for that purpose may issue its bonds and mortgage its property to secure the payment of said bonds.

History: 1895, Act 1, Imd. Eff. Feb. 15, 1895;—CL 1897, 7973;—CL 1915, 10411;—CL 1929, 10612;—CL 1948, 457.224.

457.225 Certificates or shares of stock; issuance.

Sec. 5. Every such corporation shall have full power and authority to provide by its laws for the issuing of certificates or shares of stock and for the manner in which the same shall be held and represented.

History: 1895, Act 1, Imd. Eff. Feb. 15, 1895;—CL 1897, 7974;—CL 1915, 10412;—CL 1929, 10613;—CL 1948, 457.225.

457.226 Succession and by-laws.

Sec. 6. Every such corporation shall have power to provide by its by-laws for succession to its original membership and for new membership; and shall also have power to provide by its by-laws for election from its members of a board of trustees and to fix the number and term of office of such trustees; but such board shall not be less than 5 in number and such term of office shall not exceed 3 years.

History: 1895, Act 1, Imd. Eff. Feb. 15, 1895;—CL 1897, 7975;—CL 1915, 10413;—CL 1929, 10614;—CL 1948, 457.226.

457.226a Nonprofit corporation as manager of other corporations; evidence; trust fund for unknown interests.

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Sec. 6a. Any nonprofit corporation which occupies and manages all of the assets and liabilities of any corporation organized under the provisions of this act and such nonprofit corporation is organized for and has carried out the same purposes as the corporation organized under this act, and has paid all taxes assessed against the property thereof, shall be deemed to be validly organized for the purposes of the original corporation and where such nonprofit corporation has maintained the possession of all known existing records and stock certificate records as well as all other property, real or personal, for a period of 10 years or more without express objection of known stockholders of record of the corporation organized under the provisions of this act and such nonprofit corporation has recognized the rights of the owners of stock certificates in the corporation organized under this act as one and the same as the rights of stockholders in the nonprofit corporation and upon such nonprofit corporation establishing a trust fund for the protection of any unknown interest in the corporation organized under this act, all of the rights, title and interest to all real or personal properties and records in the possession of such nonprofit corporation shall hereafter be vested in such nonprofit corporation.

History: Add. 1956, Act 83, Imd. Eff. Apr. 5, 1956.

457.227 Board of trustees, powers; officers, appointment, duties.

Sec. 7. The management and control of the business, affairs and property of such corporation shall be vested in said board of trustees, and said board shall have power to borrow any money and cause to be made and issued any bonds and mortgages authorized by section 4 of this act. Said trustees shall appoint from their own number a president, secretary and treasurer, who shall perform the duties of their respective offices in accordance with the rules and regulations prescribed by the board of trustees.

History: 1895, Act 1, Imd. Eff. Feb. 15, 1895;—CL 1897, 7976;—CL 1915, 10414;—CL 1929, 10615;—CL 1948, 457.227.

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FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS
Act 235 of 1849

AN ACT to incorporate the grand lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the state of Michigan.

History: 1849, Act 235, Eff. Apr. 2, 1849.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.231 Grand lodge of Free and Accepted Masons; body corporate, powers.

Sec. 1. The grand lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the state of Michigan; by that name and style are hereby incorporated and declared a body politic and corporate in deed and law with succession, and shall be in law capable of suing and being sued, pleading and being impleded [impleaded], answering and being answered, defending and being defended in all courts and places whatsoever, in all manner of action, suits, complaints, matters, and causes whatsoever, and that they and their successors shall have a common seal, and may change and alter the same at their pleasure.

History: 1849, Act 235, Eff. Apr. 2, 1849;—Am. 1871, Act 342, Eff. July 18, 1871;—CL 1915, 10415;—CL 1929, 10616;—CL 1948, 457.231.

Compiler's note: This act does not appear in compilations before that of 1915.

457.232 Officers; board of directors.

Sec. 2. The officers of said corporation shall be: the grand master, deputy grand master, senior grand warden, junior grand warden, grand treasurer, and grand secretary, for the time being, and they shall constitute the board of directors of said corporation for the transaction of all business authorized by this act.

History: 1849, Act 235, Eff. Apr. 2, 1849;—Am. 1869, Act 69, Imd. Eff. Mar. 26, 1869;—Am. 1871, Act 342, Eff. July 18, 1871;—CL 1915, 10416;—CL 1929, 10617;—CL 1948, 457.232.

457.233 Governing law.

Sec. 3. This act shall be subject to the provisions of chapter 55 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, so far as the same may be applicable.

History: 1849, Act 235, Eff. Apr. 2, 1849;—CL 1915, 10417;—CL 1929, 10618;—CL 1948, 457.233.

Compiler's note: For provisions of chapter 55, referred to in this section, see § 450.504 et seq.

457.234 Powers of corporation; property, holding, disposition.

Sec. 4. Said corporation may, under the direction of the grand lodge when assembled, make all by-laws for its government, the government of all constituent lodges under its jurisdiction, the government of all institutions owned, established or maintained by it, and for the transaction of all business of the corporation. Said corporation may acquire, hold, sell and convey any real or personal estate for its own use or for the use of any institution owned, established or maintained by it. It may own, establish and maintain a home or homes for members of the order of Free and Accepted Masons and their dependent relatives. It may take, hold and convey such other property, real or personal, as may be conveyed, devised or bequeathed to it in trust for any Masonic use, purpose, organization or institution. When authorized by the board of directors, all real and personal estate may be conveyed by deed or bill of sale in the name of the corporation, executed and acknowledged as the act and deed of the corporation by the grand master for the time being, or by such other person as the board of directors may appoint for that purpose, with the seal of the grand lodge attached, and such conveyance so executed shall be valid and binding for all intents and purposes whatsoever: Provided, however, That all property, real or personal, conveyed, devised or bequeathed to said corporation in trust for any Masonic use, purpose, organization or institution shall be held by said corporation and used by it in accordance with the terms of the instrument by which the same is conveyed, devised or bequeathed.

History: 1849, Act 235, Eff. Apr. 2, 1849;—Am. 1871, Act 342, Eff. July 18, 1871;—Am. 1905, Act 1, Imd. Eff. Jan. 26, 1905;—Am. 1911, Act 157, Eff. Aug. 1, 1911;—CL 1915, 10418;—CL 1929, 10619;—Am. 1931, Act 10, Eff. Sept. 18, 1931;—CL 1948, 457.234.

457.235 Powers of corporation as trustee for subordinate lodges.

Sec. 5. Said corporation may hold real and personal estate of subordinate lodges in trust for the use of such subordinate lodges, and do all acts and things in law relating thereto as trustees, and may convey the same as above, under the direction of such subordinate lodge and the rules, regulations, and by-laws of the grand lodge in relation thereto.

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History: 1849, Act 235, Eff. Apr. 2, 1849;—Am. 1871, Act 342, Eff. July 18, 1871;—CL 1915, 10419;—CL 1929, 10620;—CL 1948, 457.235.

457.236 Amendment or repeal of act.

Sec. 6. The legislature may at any time alter, amend, or repeal this act.

History: 1849, Act 235, Eff. Apr. 2, 1849;—CL 1915, 10420;—CL 1929, 10621;—CL 1948, 457.236.

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ROYAL ARCH MASONS
Act 48 of 1895

AN ACT to incorporate the grand chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Michigan.

History: 1895, Act 48, Imd. Eff. Mar. 29, 1895.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.241 Grand chapter of Royal Arch Masons; incorporation; body corporate, powers.

Sec. 1. That the grand chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Michigan, by that name and style, is hereby incorporated and declared a body politic and corporate in deed and law, capable of suing and being sued, pleading and being impleaded, answering and being answered, defending and being defended, in all courts and places whatsoever, in all manner of action, suits, complaints, matters and causes whatsoever, and shall have a common seal which it may change at pleasure.

History: 1895, Act 48, Imd. Eff. Mar. 29, 1895;—CL 1897, 7977;—CL 1915, 10421;—CL 1929, 10622;—CL 1948, 457.241.

457.242 Board of directors.

Sec. 2. The officers of the corporation shall be the grand high priest, grand king, grand scribe, grand treasurer and grand secretary, for the time being, and they shall constitute the board of directors of the corporation for the transaction of all business authorized by this act.

History: 1895, Act 48, Imd. Eff. Mar. 29, 1895;—CL 1897, 7978;—CL 1915, 10422;—CL 1929, 10623;—CL 1948, 457.242;—Am. 1964, Act 6, Eff. Aug. 28, 1964.

457.243 Powers of corporation; bylaws; property, holding, disposition.

Sec. 3. The corporation, under direction of the grand chapter when assembled, may make and establish all necessary bylaws and rules for its governance and the governance of all subordinate chapters under the jurisdiction of the grand chapter, relating to the business and property authorized to be done, held and conveyed by this act; and said corporation may take, hold and convey, as may be required from time to time, any real or personal estate for the purpose of its or their organizations, not at any time exceeding in the aggregate the sum of $200,000.00, but such property, both real and personal shall be subject to assessment and taxation for all purposes, and all real and personal estate so held may be conveyed by deed or bill of sale in the name of the corporation, executed by the grand high priest for the time being, or by such other person as the board of directors shall appoint for that purpose, and in case of real estate acknowledged by him to be the act and deed of the corporation, with the seal of the grand chapter attached, and such conveyance so executed shall be valid and binding for all intents and purposes whatsoever.

History: 1895, Act 48, Imd. Eff. Mar. 29, 1895;—CL 1897, 7979;—CL 1915, 10423;—CL 1929, 10624;—CL 1948, 457.243;—Am. 1967, Act 28, Imd. Eff. June 2, 1967.

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ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS
Act 35 of 1895

AN ACT to incorporate the grand council of Royal and Select Masters of Michigan.

History: 1895, Act 35, Imd. Eff. Mar. 26, 1895.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.251 Grand council of Royal and Select Masters; incorporation; body corporate, powers.

Sec. 1. That the grand council of Royal and Select Masters of Michigan, by that name and style, is hereby incorporated and declared a body politic and corporate in deed and law, capable of suing and being sued, pleading and being impleaded, answering and being answered, defending and being defended, in all courts and places whatsoever, in all manner of action, suits, complaints, matters and causes whatsoever, and shall have a common seal which it may change at pleasure.

History: 1895, Act 35, Imd. Eff. Mar. 26, 1895;—CL 1897, 7980;—CL 1915, 10424;—CL 1929, 10625;—CL 1948, 457.251.

457.252 Officers; board of directors.

Sec. 2. The officers of said corporation shall be the grand master, deputy grand master and grand recorder for the time being, and they shall constitute the board of directors of said corporation for the transaction of all business authorized by this act.

History: 1895, Act 35, Imd. Eff. Mar. 26, 1895;—CL 1897, 7981;—CL 1915, 10425;—CL 1929, 10626;—CL 1948, 457.252.

457.253 Powers of corporation; property, holding, disposition.

Sec. 3. Said corporation, under the direction of the grand council when assembled, may make and establish all necessary by-laws and rules for its governance and the governance of subordinate councils under the jurisdiction of the grand council, relating to the business and property authorized to be done, held and conveyed by this act; and said corporation may take, hold and convey, as may be required from time to time, any real and personal estate for the purpose of its or their organizations, not exceeding in value in the aggregate the sum of 50,000 dollars; and all real and personal estate so held may be conveyed by deed or bill of sale in the name of said corporation, executed by the grand master for the time being, or by such other person as the board of directors may appoint for that purpose, under the seal of the grand council, and such conveyance so executed shall be valid and binding for all intents and purposes whatsoever: Provided, That the property of said association shall be subjected to taxation for all purposes.

History: 1895, Act 35, Imd. Eff. Mar. 26, 1895;—CL 1897, 7982;—CL 1915, 10426;—CL 1929, 10627;—CL 1948, 457.253.

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ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR
Act 63 of 1917

AN ACT to provide for the incorporation of grand chapters of the Order of the Eastern Star in Michigan.

History: 1917, Act 63, Eff. Aug. 10, 1917.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.261 Grand chapter of Order of Eastern Star; incorporation.

Sec. 1. Any grand chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star within the state of Michigan may be incorporated under and in pursuance of this act in the following manner.

History: 1917, Act 63, Eff. Aug. 10, 1917;—CL 1929, 10628;—CL 1948, 457.261.

Former law: See Act 194 of 1913, being CL 1915, §§ 10441 to 10449.

457.262 Incorporators; articles of association, execution, contents.

Sec. 2. The worthy grand matron, the worthy grand patron, the associate grand matron, the associate grand patron, the grand secretary, the grand treasurer, the grand conductress and the associate grand conductress of any grand chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star in this state, together with not less than 10 past grand matrons or past grand patrons, residents of this state, and being members of the grand chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star proposed to be incorporated, having been directed so to do by the said grand chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star, may make and execute articles of association under their hands and seals, which articles of association shall be acknowledged before some officer authorized by law to take acknowledgments of deeds and shall set forth:

First, The names of the persons associating themselves in the first instance and their places of residence;

Second, The names and locations of the subordinate chapters of which they are, respectively, members;

Third, The place of its business office and the corporate name by which it shall be known in law, which shall not be similar to that of any other grand chapter which shall have been previously organized under this act;

Fourth, The object and purpose of such association and the period for which it is to be incorporated, which shall not exceed 30 years.

History: 1917, Act 63, Eff. Aug. 10, 1917;—CL 1929, 10629;—CL 1948, 457.262.

457.263 Body corporate; powers.

Sec. 3. Such corporation, when duly formed under this act, shall become and be a body politic and corporate in deed and law with succession and shall be in law capable of suing and being sued, pleading and being impleaded, answering and being answered, defending and being defended in all courts and places whatsoever, as a corporation.

History: 1917, Act 63, Eff. Aug. 10, 1917;—CL 1929, 10630;—CL 1948, 457.263.

457.264 Officers; board of directors.

Sec. 4. The officers of said corporation shall be: the worthy grand matron, the worthy grand patron, the associate grand matron, the associate grand patron, the grand secretary, the grand treasurer, the grand conductress, and the associate grand conductress, for the time being, and they shall constitute the board of directors of said corporation for the transaction of all business authorized by this act.

History: 1917, Act 63, Eff. Aug. 10, 1917;—CL 1929, 10631;—CL 1948, 457.264.

457.265 Powers of corporation; property, holding, disposition.

Sec. 5. Said corporation shall have a common seal and may change and alter the same at its pleasure; it may make, under direction of the grand chapter when assembled and established, all by-laws and rules for its government and the government of all subordinate chapters under the jurisdiction of the grand chapter relating to the business and property authorized to be done, held and conveyed by this act; it may take, hold and convey, as may be required from time to time, any real or personal estate for the purpose of its organization and not at any time, exceeding of personal estate, 250,000 dollars, and, of real estate, 500,000 dollars. It may also take, hold and convey such other property, in any amount of value, whether real or personal, as may be conveyed, devised or bequeathed to said corporation in trust for any use, purpose, organization or institution of said Order of the Eastern Star. All real and personal estate so held may be conveyed by deed or bill of sale in the name of the corporation executed by the worthy grand matron, worthy grand patron and grand secretary for the time being, and in case of real estate acknowledged by them respectively to be the act and deed of the

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corporation, or by such other person or persons as the board of directors may appoint for that purpose with the seal of said grand chapter attached and such conveyance so executed shall be valid and binding for all intents and purposes whatsoever: Provided, That all property, real or personal, conveyed, devised or bequeathed to said corporation in trust for any use, purpose, organization or institution of said Order of the Eastern Star shall be held by such corporation and used by it in accordance with the terms of the instrument by which the same is conveyed, devised, or bequeathed, or later modifying instrument executed by the original donors, their successors or assigns.

History: 1917, Act 63, Eff. Aug. 10, 1917;—CL 1929, 10632;—CL 1948, 457.265.

457.266 Powers of corporation as to property of subordinate chapters.

Sec. 6. Said corporation may hold real or personal estate, or both, of subordinate chapters and may do all things in law relating thereto as trustee, and may convey the same as above under the direction of such subordinate chapter and the rules, regulations and by-laws of the grand chapter in relation thereto.

History: 1917, Act 63, Eff. Aug. 10, 1917;—CL 1929, 10633;—CL 1948, 457.266.

457.267 Reincorporation under act; rights.

Sec. 7. Any grand chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star which has been heretofore incorporated under any other act of this state may be reincorporated under the provisions of this act upon a proper surrender to the source from which it received them, of all the rights, powers, privileges, property, money, accounts and books of account, bonds and obligations, contracts, actions and rights of actions, and any and all other things which it may have received and which it is not entitled by this act to hold; and such reincorporated organization shall thereupon succeed to any and all rights, privileges, powers and property which it is authorized by this act to hold.

History: 1917, Act 63, Eff. Aug. 10, 1917;—CL 1929, 10634;—CL 1948, 457.267.

Former law: See Act 194 of 1913, being CL 1915, §§ 10441 to 10449.

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ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR
Act 35 of 1909

AN ACT to provide for the incorporation of Order of the Eastern Star associations; and to impose certain duties upon the department of commerce.

History: 1909, Act 35, Eff. Sept. 1, 1909;—Am. 1982, Act 97, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.271 Order of Eastern Star association; incorporation.

Sec. 1. Associations of the Order of the Eastern Star may be incorporated under the provisions of this act.

History: 1909, Act 35, Eff. Sept. 1, 1909;—CL 1915, 10434;—CL 1929, 10635;—CL 1948, 457.271.

457.272 Articles of association; execution, contents.

Sec. 2. Any 10 or more residents of this state, who are members of any chartered body or of different chartered bodies of the Order of the Eastern Star, may make and execute articles of association under their hands and seals, which said articles of association shall be acknowledged before some officer of this state having authority to take acknowledgments of deeds, and shall set forth:

First, The names of the persons associating in the first instance, their places of residence and the name and location of the Order of the Eastern Star body or bodies to which they severally belong;

Second, The corporate name by which such association shall be known in the law;

Third, The purpose of the association, which shall be to provide a building or buildings to be used for Order of the Eastern Star purposes, and the period for which such association is incorporated, not exceeding 30 years.

History: 1909, Act 35, Eff. Sept. 1, 1909;—CL 1915, 10435;—CL 1929, 10636;—CL 1948, 457.272.

457.273 Filing copy of articles with department of commerce; signers of articles, associates, and successors as body corporate; evidence of existence and incorporation.

Sec. 3. A copy of said articles of association shall be filed with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce and thereupon the persons who shall have signed said articles of association, their associates and successors, shall be a body corporate by the name expressed in such articles of association. A copy of such articles of association, under the seal of the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts of this state of the existence and due incorporation of such association.

History: 1909, Act 35, Eff. Sept. 1, 1909;—CL 1915, 10436;—CL 1929, 10637;—CL 1948, 457.273;—Am. 1982, Act 97, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.274 Powers of corporation; property, holding, disposition.

Sec. 4. Every corporation organized under the provisions of this act may take, receive, purchase and hold in its corporate capacity and for its corporate purposes real and personal property, and the same or any part thereof demise, sell, convey, use and dispose of at pleasure; and may erect and own suitable building or buildings to be used in whole or in part for meetings of Order of the Eastern Star bodies, and may borrow money, and for that purpose may issue its bonds and mortgage its property to secure the payment of said bonds.

History: 1909, Act 35, Eff. Sept. 1, 1909;—CL 1915, 10437;—CL 1929, 10638;—CL 1948, 457.274.

457.275 Powers of corporation; issuance of stock.

Sec. 5. Every such corporation shall have full power and authority to provide by its by-laws for the issuing of certificates or shares of stock and for the manner in which the same shall be held and represented.

History: 1909, Act 35, Eff. Sept. 1, 1909;—CL 1915, 10438;—CL 1929, 10639;—CL 1948, 457.275.

457.276 Membership; election of officers and trustees; terms.

Sec. 6. Every such corporation shall elect annually a president, vice president and secretary and shall have power to provide by its by-laws for succession to its original membership and for new membership; and shall provide by its by-laws for election from its members of a board of trustees, and shall fix the number and term of office of such trustees: Provided, Such board shall consist of not less than 5 in number and such term of office shall not exceed 3 years.

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History: 1909, Act 35, Eff. Sept. 1, 1909;—CL 1915, 10439;—CL 1929, 10640;—CL 1948, 457.276.

457.277 Management and control.

Sec. 7. The management and control of the business, affairs and property of such corporation shall be vested in said board of trustees, and said board shall have power to borrow any money and cause to be made and issued any bonds and mortgages authorized by section 4 of this act. Said trustees shall appoint from their number a chairman, vice chairman, secretary and treasurer, who shall perform the duties of their respective offices in accordance with the rules and regulations prescribed by the board of trustees.

History: 1909, Act 35, Eff. Sept. 1, 1909;—CL 1915, 10440;—CL 1929, 10641;—CL 1948, 457.277.

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WHITE SHRINE OF JERUSALEM
Act 256 of 1897

AN ACT to incorporate the White Shrine of Jerusalem; and to impose certain duties upon the department of commerce.

History: 1897, Act 256, Imd. Eff. June 2, 1897;—Am. 1982, Act 100, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.291 White Shrine of Jerusalem; incorporation.

Sec. 1. That any supreme shrine of the White Shrine of Jerusalem, a higher degree of adaptive Masonry, following the order of the Eastern Star, working under a ritual, copyrighted by Charles D. Magee, Senior, which copyright is number 9252AA. may be incorporated in pursuance of the provisions of this act.

History: 1897, Act 256, Imd. Eff. June 2, 1897;—CL 1897, 7983;—CL 1915, 10427;—CL 1929, 10642;—CL 1948, 457.291.

457.292 Articles of association; execution, contents.

Sec. 2. Any 10 or more residents of this state, being members of said supreme shrine who shall be desirous of becoming incorporated, may make and execute articles of association, under their hands and seals, which said articles of association shall be acknowledged before some officer of this state, having authority to take acknowledgments of deeds, and shall set forth:

First, The names of persons associating in the first instance and their place of residence;

Second, The name and location of the supreme shrine of which they are members;

Third, The corporate name by which such association shall be known in the law;

Fourth, The object and purposes of such association which shall be to promote the general welfare of the order of the White Shrine of Jerusalem, and make all lawful rules and regulations for the management and government of said supreme shrine and subordinate shrines;

Fifth, To use and operate the ritual of the White Shrine of Jerusalem, a higher degree of adaptive Masonry, as copyrighted by Charles D. Magee, Senior, of Chicago, known as number 9252AA. and recorded by the librarian of congress February thirteenth, 1895;

Sixth, To organize supreme and subordinate bodies under said copyright, and to do all things necessary to carry out the objects and purposes set forth in said ritual, and the period for which it is incorporated, not exceeding 30 years.

History: 1897, Act 256, Imd. Eff. June 2, 1897;—CL 1897, 7984;—CL 1915, 10428;—CL 1929, 10643;—CL 1948, 457.292.

457.293 Filing articles of association with department of commerce; signers of articles, associates, and successors as body politic and corporate; powers; evidence of existence and incorporation.

Sec. 3. Said articles of association shall be filed with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce and thereupon the persons who shall have signed such articles of association, their associates and successors shall be a body politic and corporate, by the name expressed in such articles of association; and by that name, they, and their successors shall have succession, and shall be persons in law capable of suing and being sued, and they and their successors may have a common seal and the same may be changed and altered at pleasure; and a certified copy of the records of the articles of association under the seal of the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce where the said records are kept shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts in this state of the existence and due incorporation of such corporation.

History: 1897, Act 256, Imd. Eff. June 2, 1897;—CL 1897, 7985;—CL 1915, 10429;—CL 1929, 10644;—CL 1948, 457.293;—Am. 1982, Act 100, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.294 Building; capital stock; property, holding and disposition; taxation; cemetery.

Sec. 4. Every corporation formed in pursuance of this act may erect and own or lease such suitable edifice, building or hall as to such corporation shall seem proper, with convenient rooms for the meetings of said fraternity and for that may create a capital stock of not more than 50,000 dollars, to be divided into shares of not more than 50 dollars each, and may take, receive, purchase and hold in its corporate capacity real and personal estate, and the same or any part thereof demise, convey, mortgage, use and dispose of at pleasure: Provided, however, That all such property both real and personal shall be subject to taxation the same as other property; and such corporation may take, purchase, hold and own such suitable lots or parcels of ground as may be convenient for the purpose of a cemetery, and may make all lawful rules and regulations for the

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disposition of lots and the burial of the dead therein, as to such corporation may seem proper.

History: 1897, Act 256, Imd. Eff. June 2, 1897;—CL 1897, 7986;—CL 1915, 10430;—CL 1929, 10645;—CL 1948, 457.294.

457.295 Board of trustees; election, quorum, officers.

Sec. 5. The stockholders, each of whom shall be entitled to 1 vote for each share of stock held by him, may elect from their number a board of trustees, not less than 6 nor more than 9 members, a majority of whom shall form a quorum, and the trustees shall appoint from their own number a president, secretary and treasurer, who shall perform the duties of their offices in accordance with the rules and regulations which may be prescribed by the board of trustees.

History: 1897, Act 256, Imd. Eff. June 2, 1897;—CL 1897, 7987;—CL 1915, 10431;—CL 1929, 10646;—CL 1948, 457.295.

457.296 Board of trustees; powers.

Sec. 6. The management and direction of the interests and affairs and property of such corporation shall be vested in said board of trustees, and said board shall make all needful rules, ordinances and by-laws regulating the transaction of the business and the management of the property and all the affairs, concerns and interests of such corporation, and providing for the time and manner of electing the officers and trustees of the corporation and the length of the term of office of the trustees, a part of whom after the first election shall be chosen annually.

History: 1897, Act 256, Imd. Eff. June 2, 1897;—CL 1897, 7988;—CL 1915, 10432;—CL 1929, 10647;—CL 1948, 457.296.

457.297 Powers of corporation; property, holding, disposition.

Sec. 7. Every corporation under and in pursuance of this act shall have full power and authority to provide by its by-laws from time to time for the election from its own members of such other officers of the corporation, under and by such name and style as shall be in accordance with its ritual, by-laws and constitution, and instead of appointing a board of trustees to have the management and control of its property, interests and affairs as provided in sections 5 and 6 of this act, may if the corporation so choose, provide in its rituals and by-laws that the property, affairs and interests of the corporation shall be managed and controlled by such persons or officers of the corporation, or in such manner as the corporation shall from time to time provide for that purpose in such by-laws; and the corporation may enact all such by-laws, rules and regulations as may be necessary for its government and the government of subordinate shrines and for the care and management of its property, and for the care and management of the property of subordinate shrines and the affairs and interests of both the supreme and subordinate bodies and to carry into effect the powers and privileges in this act granted and may alter and amend the same at pleasure: Provided, however, That in all cases where such corporation shall choose to appoint a board of trustees to have the management of its property and affairs, such board shall have the power and the management and the direction of the interests and property of the corporation as provided in sections 5 and 6 of this act.

History: 1897, Act 256, Imd. Eff. June 2, 1897;—CL 1897, 7989;—CL 1915, 10433;—CL 1929, 10648;—CL 1948, 457.297.

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BENEVOLENT AND PROTECTIVE ORDER OF ELKS
Act 22 of 1891

AN ACT to provide for the incorporation of lodges of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

History: 1891, Act 22, Eff. Oct. 2, 1891.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.301 Lodges of Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; incorporation.

Sec. 1. That any lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, organized within this state, and having a charter from the grand lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, may become incorporated under the provisions of this act.

History: 1891, Act 22, Eff. Oct. 2, 1891;—CL 1897, 8079;—CL 1915, 10553;—CL 1929, 10649;—CL 1948, 457.301.

457.302 Incorporators; articles of association, execution, contents.

Sec. 2. Any 10 or more persons residents of this state, being members in good standing of a lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, having competent authority from the grand lodge of the order, desirous to become incorporated, may make and execute articles of association, under their hands and seals, which articles of association shall be acknowledged before some officer authorized by law to take acknowledgments of deeds, and shall set forth:

First, The names of the persons associating in the first instance, and their place of residence;

Second, The corporate name by which such association shall be known in the law, and the place of its business office;

Third, The objects and purposes of such association, which shall be to protect and aid its members and their families, and to promote friendship, and social intercourse, and to accumulate a fund for that purpose; and the period for which it is incorporated, not exceeding 30 years.

History: 1891, Act 22, Eff. Oct. 2, 1891;—CL 1897, 8080;—CL 1915, 10554;—CL 1929, 10650;—CL 1948, 457.302.

457.303 Filing articles of association, charter, and constitution of grand lodge; signatories as body politic and corporate; rights thereof; maximum value and disposition of real and personal estate; disposition of proceeds, rents, and incomes; rules, regulations, and bylaws; officers; board of trustees.

Sec. 3. A copy of the articles of association together with the charter and constitution of the grand lodge of the benevolent and protective order of elks, shall be filed with the secretary of state; and thereupon the persons who have signed the articles of association, their associates and successors, shall be a body politic and corporate, by the name expressed in the articles of association, and by that name they and their successors shall have succession, and shall be persons in the law, capable to purchase, take, receive, hold, and enjoy to them and their successors estates, real and personal, including a lodge house or temple suitable to their needs, objects and purposes, of suing and being sued, and to have a common seal, which may be altered or changed at their pleasure. The value of the real and personal estate shall not exceed $10,000,000.00, and they and their successors may give, grant, sell, lease, mortgage, demise, and dispose of that real and personal estate or part thereof at their will and pleasure, and the proceeds, rents and incomes may be devoted in furtherance of the corporate powers, needs, objects, and purposes. The corporation shall have full power to make and establish rules, regulations and bylaws, for regulating and governing all the affairs and business of the corporation not repugnant to, or inconsistent with the constitution, rules, and edicts of the grand lodge of the order, or the constitution and laws of this state, or of the United States, and to elect and appoint from its members officers under a name and style as shall be in accordance with the constitution of the grand lodge of the order. The lodges organized under this act, as amended, having a membership of 1,000 or more shall have a board of 5 trustees. One trustee shall be elected annually for the term of 5 years, except that at the first election after this act goes into effect 5 trustees shall be elected, 1 for 1 year, 1 for 2 years, 1 for 3 years, 1 for 4 years, and 1 for 5 years.

History: 1891, Act 22, Eff. Oct. 2, 1891;—CL 1897, 8081;—Am. 1905, Act 33, Imd. Eff. Mar. 29, 1905;—Am. 1911, Act 18, Eff. Aug. 1, 1911;—Am. 1915, Act 83, Eff. Aug. 24, 1915;—CL 1915, 10555;—CL 1929, 10651;—CL 1948, 457.303;—Am. 1975, Act 108, Imd. Eff. June 6, 1975.

457.304 Articles; certified copy as evidence.

Sec. 4. A copy of the record of such articles of association under the seal of the state, duly certified according to law, shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts of this state of the existence and due

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incorporation of such corporation.

History: 1891, Act 22, Eff. Oct. 2, 1891;—CL 1897, 8082;—CL 1915, 10556;—CL 1929, 10652;—CL 1948, 457.304.

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INDEPENDENT ORDER OF ODD FELLOWS
Act 90 of 1905

AN ACT to provide for the incorporation of lodges and encampments of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

History: 1905, Act 90, Imd. Eff. May 3, 1905.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.321 Lodges of Independent Order of Odd Fellows; incorporation.

Sec. 1. The grand and subordinate lodges of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows of the state of Michigan, may be incorporated in pursuance of the provisions of this act.

History: 1905, Act 90, Imd. Eff. May 3, 1905;—CL 1915, 10450;—CL 1929, 10653;—CL 1948, 457.321.

Former law: See Act 199 of 1865, being CL 1897, §§ 7990 to 7999; and Act 47 of 1869, being CL 1897, § 8000.

457.322 Grand lodge; articles of association, execution, contents.

Sec. 2. Any 5 or more persons, residents of this state, being members of any grand lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of the state of Michigan, desirous to become incorporated, may make and execute articles of association, under their hands and seal, which said articles of association shall be acknowledged before some officer of the state having authority to take acknowledgment of deeds, and shall set forth:

First, The name of persons associating in the first instance, and their places of residence;

Second, The corporate name by which such association shall be known in the law, and the place of its business office;

Third, The object and purpose of such association, which shall be to promote the general welfare of the order or fraternity, known as the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, to perform the functions ordinarily and properly to be performed by the Independent Order of Odd Fellows of the state of Michigan as the governing body of the Odd Fellow lodges in Michigan, to make laws for the government of such lodges, to acquire, own and convey real and personal property of any kind, in its own right for its own use or in trust for the benefit of Odd Fellow lodges in the state of Michigan, or for any other purposes compatible with the purposes of the corporation, to own and operate a home or homes for the members of Odd Fellow lodges in the state of Michigan or the female members of Rebekah lodges in Michigan, and to own and operate a camp or camps for the members of such lodges and the children or orphans of such members, or other children, to create corporations not for profit for such purposes, to provide and maintain an endowment fund for the benefit of any activity of the corporation or any corporation created by this corporation, and to do every other lawful thing that shall be for the welfare and benefit of the Odd Fellow lodges in Michigan, or the grand lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows of Michigan, a Michigan corporation, and to join with others in any of the above enumerated activities.

History: 1905, Act 90, Imd. Eff. May 3, 1905;—CL 1915, 10451;—CL 1929, 10654;—CL 1948, 457.322;—Am. 1961, Act 79, Eff. Sept. 8, 1961.

457.323 Grand lodge; articles, charter, constitution, filing; body corporate, powers.

Sec. 3. A copy of said articles of association, together with a copy of the charter and constitution of said grand lodge, shall be filed with the secretary of state, and thereupon the persons who shall have signed such articles of association, their associates and successors, shall be a body politic and corporate, by the name expressed in such articles of association, and by that name they and their successors shall have succession, and shall be persons in the law, capable to purchase, take, receive, hold and enjoy, to them and their successors, estates, real and personal, of suing and being sued, and they and their successors may have a common seal, which may be changed and altered at their pleasure. The value of such real and personal estate shall not exceed the sum of $1,000,000.00, and they and their successors shall have authority and power to give, grant, sell, lease, demise and dispose of said real and personal estate, or part thereof, at their will and pleasure, and the proceeds, rents and incomes shall be devoted exclusively to charitable and benevolent purposes of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Said corporation shall have full power and authority to make and establish rules, regulations and bylaws, for regulating and governing all the affairs and business of said corporation according to the laws of the state, and the United States, and to designate, elect or appoint from its members such officers, under such name and style, as shall be in accordance with the constitution of the grand lodge.

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History: 1905, Act 90, Imd. Eff. May 3, 1905;—CL 1915, 10452;—CL 1929, 10655;—CL 1948, 457.323;—Am. 1961, Act 79, Eff. Sept. 8, 1961.

457.324 Grand lodge; certified copy of articles as evidence.

Sec. 4. A copy of the record of such articles of association, under the seal of the state, duly certified according to law, shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts of this state, of the existence and due incorporation of such corporation.

History: 1905, Act 90, Imd. Eff. May 3, 1905;—CL 1915, 10453;—CL 1929, 10656;—CL 1948, 457.324.

457.325 Subordinate lodges; chartering; existing lodges; regulation.

Sec. 5. Such corporation, when duly formed, shall have power to institute and charter subordinate lodges within this state and from time to time to make, ordain, constitute and establish such constitution, general laws and by-laws, ordinances and regulations, as the grand lodge shall judge proper for the regulation and government of such subordinate lodges, not repugnant to the laws of this state: Provided, That the existing subordinate lodges heretofore duly chartered by the grand lodge, shall be subject to the control of the grand lodge, under this act, as heretofore, and in the same manner and to the same extent, as those that may be hereafter instituted and chartered under this act: Provided further, That in case the corporators, or persons associating in the first instance, shall by death, resignation, or for other cause, under the rules of the grand lodge, become ineligible to act in such capacity, their successors may, from time to time, be appointed by the grand lodge.

History: 1905, Act 90, Imd. Eff. May 3, 1905;—CL 1915, 10454;—CL 1929, 10657;—CL 1948, 457.325.

457.326 Subordinate lodges; incorporation; body corporate, powers; certified copy of articles as evidence.

Sec. 6. Any 5 or more persons, residents of this state, being members of a subordinate lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, having been duly chartered by the grand lodge, desirous to become incorporated, may make and execute articles of association, specifying as provided in section 2 of this act, and file a copy of the same with the clerk of the county in which such corporation shall be formed, which shall be recorded by such clerk in a book to be kept in his office for that purpose; and thereupon the persons who shall have signed said articles of association, their associates and successors, shall be a body politic and corporate, by the name expressed in such articles of association, and by that name they and their successors shall have succession, and shall be persons in the law capable to purchase, hold, enjoy, grant, sell, give, lease and demise, real and personal estate; of suing and being sued, and may have a common seal, and change and alter the same at pleasure; and a certified copy of the record of such articles of association, under the seal of the county where the said record is kept, shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts of this state of the existence and due incorporation of such corporation: Provided, Said corporation shall be limited to the powers and provisions of sections 3 and 11 of this act, regarding real and personal estate, and the proceeds thereof, under the rules and regulations of the grand lodge, and may elect or appoint from among its members such officers, under such name and style, as shall be in accordance with its constitution.

History: 1905, Act 90, Imd. Eff. May 3, 1905;—CL 1915, 10455;—CL 1929, 10658;—CL 1948, 457.326.

457.327 Erection of building; capital stock, creation, shares; cemetery.

Sec. 7. Any corporation formed in pursuance of this act, may erect and own such suitable edifice, building or hall, as to such corporation shall seem proper, with convenient rooms for the meetings of the fraternity of Odd Fellows; and for that purpose may create a capital stock of not more than 50,000 dollars, to be divided into shares of not more than 25 dollars each; and any such corporation may take, purchase, hold and own such suitable lot or parcel of ground as may be convenient, for the purpose of a cemetery, and may make all lawful rules and regulations for the disposition of lots, and the burial of the dead therein, as to such corporation may seem proper.

History: 1905, Act 90, Imd. Eff. May 3, 1905;—CL 1915, 10456;—CL 1929, 10659;—CL 1948, 457.327.

457.328 Encampment or canton; incorporation.

Sec. 8. Any grand encampment or grand canton of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows of the state of Michigan, and any subordinate encampment or canton thereof, having been duly chartered, may be incorporated in like manner as grand and subordinate lodges of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and enjoy the same powers, privileges and benefits under the provisions of this act.

History: 1905, Act 90, Imd. Eff. May 3, 1905;—CL 1915, 10457;—CL 1929, 10660;—CL 1948, 457.328.

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457.329 Governing law; amendment of act.

Sec. 9. All corporations, formed under this act, shall be subject to the provisions of chapter 230 of the Compiled Laws of 1897 of this state, so far as the same may be applicable to corporations formed under this act; and the legislature may alter or amend this act at any time.

History: 1905, Act 90, Imd. Eff. May 3, 1905;—CL 1915, 10458;—CL 1929, 10661;—CL 1948, 457.329.

Compiler's note: For provisions of chapter 230, referred to in this section, which have not been repealed or reenacted, see §§ 450.504 et seq. and 450.631 et seq.

457.330 Business office; change of location.

Sec. 10. The location of the business offices of the grand lodge and grand encampment of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, or either of them, may be changed at any time, upon filing a written notice of such change in the office of the secretary of state, within 20 days from the time of the change of such location.

History: 1905, Act 90, Imd. Eff. May 3, 1905;—CL 1915, 10459;—CL 1929, 10662;—CL 1948, 457.330.

457.331 Property; holding, disposition; erection of buildings; subscription to stock.

Sec. 11. Any lodge or encampment of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, or any association thereof, incorporated under the provisions of this act, may receive, purchase and hold in its corporate capacity, real and personal estate, and the same or any part thereof, demise, convey, mortgage, use and dispose of at pleasure to the amount of 200,000 dollars; and may subscribe to the stock of any incorporated company, for the purpose of erecting a suitable edifice, building or hall, with convenient rooms for the meetings and use of the fraternity of Odd Fellows.

History: 1905, Act 90, Imd. Eff. May 3, 1905;—CL 1915, 10460;—Am. 1917, Act 335, Eff. Aug. 10, 1917;—CL 1929, 10663;—CL 1948, 457.331.

Former law: See Act 47 of 1869, being CL 1897, § 8000.

457.332 Two or more subordinate lodges or encampments; incorporation.

Sec. 12. Any 5 or more persons, residents of this state, being members of a subordinate lodge or encampment of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and having been designated or elected as representatives or delegates of 2 or more subordinate lodges or encampments of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, desirous of becoming incorporated, may make and execute articles of association in like manner as is provided in this act for the incorporation of separate subordinate lodges and encampments, and such corporation shall be governed by, and shall have the benefit of, all the provisions of this act: Provided, That said association shall in all respects be subject to the laws of the grand lodge.

History: Add. 1917, Act 335, Eff. Aug. 10, 1917;—CL 1929, 10664;—CL 1948, 457.332.

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KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS LODGES
Act 17 of 1877

AN ACT to provide for the incorporation of lodges of Knights of Pythias; and to impose certain duties upon the department of commerce.

History: 1877, Act 17, Imd. Eff. Mar. 1, 1877;—Am. 1982, Act 536, Eff. Mar. 30, 1983.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.351 Knights of Pythias lodges; incorporation.

Sec. 1. That the grand lodge and subordinate lodges of Knights of Pythias of the state of Michigan may be incorporated in pursuance of the provisions of this act.

History: 1877, Act 17, Imd. Eff. Mar. 1, 1877;—How. 4551;—CL 1897, 8001;—CL 1915, 10462;—CL 1929, 10665;—CL 1948, 457.351.

457.352 Grand lodge; articles of association, execution, contents.

Sec. 2. Any 10 or more persons residents of this state being members of the grand lodge of the Knights of Pythias of the state of Michigan desirous to become incorporated may make and execute articles of association under their hands and seals which articles of association shall be acknowledged before some officer authorized by law to take acknowledgments of deeds and shall set forth:

First The names of the persons associating in the first instance and their places of residence;

Second The corporate name by which such association shall be known in the law, and the place of its business office;

Third The object and purpose of such association which shall be to promote the general welfare of the fraternity known as the grand lodge of Knights of Pythias and the period for which it is incorporated not exceeding 30 years.

History: 1877, Act 17, Imd. Eff. Mar. 1, 1877;—How. 4552;—CL 1897, 8002;—CL 1915, 10463;—CL 1929, 10666;—CL 1948, 457.352.

457.353 Grand lodge; filing articles, charter, and constitution; body politic and corporate; powers.

Sec. 3. A copy of said articles of association, together with a copy of the charter and constitution of said grand lodge, shall be filed with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, and thereupon the persons who shall have signed such articles of association, their associates and successors shall be a body politic and corporate by the name expressed in such articles of association, and by that name they and their successors shall have succession, and shall be persons in the law, capable to purchase, take, receive, hold, and enjoy, to them and their successors, estates real and personal, of suing and being sued, and to have a common seal, which may be altered or changed at their pleasure. They and their successors shall have power to give, grant, sell, lease, demise, and dispose of said real and personal estate, or part thereof, at their will and pleasure, and the proceeds, rents and incomes shall be devoted exclusively to the charitable and benevolent purposes of the grand lodge of Knights of Pythias. Said corporation shall have full power to make and establish rules, regulations, and bylaws for regulating and governing all the affairs and business of said corporation not repugnant to the constitution and laws of this state or of the United States, and to designate, elect, or appoint from its members such officers, under such name and style as shall be in accordance with the constitution of the supreme lodge of the world.

History: 1877, Act 17, Imd. Eff. Mar. 1, 1877;—How. 4553;—CL 1897, 8003;—CL 1915, 10464;—Am. 1929, Act 18, Eff. Aug. 28, 1929;—CL 1929, 10667;—CL 1948, 457.353;—Am. 1982, Act 536, Eff. Mar. 30, 1983.

457.354 Grand lodge; certified copy of articles as evidence.

Sec. 4. A copy of the record of such articles of association under the seal of the state duly certified according to law shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts of this state of the existence and due incorporation of such corporation.

History: 1877, Act 17, Imd. Eff. Mar. 1, 1877;—How. 4554;—CL 1897, 8004;—CL 1915, 10465;—CL 1929, 10668;—CL 1948, 457.354.

457.355 Subordinate lodges; chartering; existing lodges; regulation.

Sec. 5. Such corporation when duly formed shall have power to institute and charter subordinate lodges of said order within this state and from time to time to make, ordain, constitute and establish such general laws and by-laws, ordinances and regulations for the government of such subordinate lodges not repugnant to law

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or to the constitution or regulations of the grand lodge of Knights of Pythias as to them shall seem proper and necessary, and in case of violation or non-compliance with such ordinances, by-laws and regulations to revoke and annul the charter granted to such subordinate lodges: Provided, That the existing subordinate lodges heretofore duly chartered by the grand lodge of Michigan (or the United States), shall be subject to the control of the said grand lodge under this act as heretofore and in the same manner, and to the same extent as those that may hereafter be instituted and chartered under this act.

History: 1877, Act 17, Imd. Eff. Mar. 1, 1877;—How. 4555;—CL 1897, 8005;—CL 1915, 10466;—CL 1929, 10669;—CL 1948, 457.355.

457.356 Subordinate lodge; execution and filing of articles; body politic and corporate; record of articles as evidence.

Sec. 6. Any 9 or more persons, residents of this state, being members of any subordinate lodge, having been duly chartered by the grand lodge of this state, desirous to become incorporated, may make and execute articles of association under their hands and seals, specifying as provided in article 2 of this act, and file a copy of such articles with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, and thereupon the persons who shall have signed said articles of association, their associates and successors, shall be a body politic and corporate by the name expressed in such articles of association; and by that name they and their successors shall have succession, and shall be persons in the law capable to purchase, hold, enjoy, grant, sell, give, lease, and demise real and personal estate, of suing and being sued, and may have a common seal, and change and alter the same at pleasure; and a certified copy of the record of such articles of association, under the seal of the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts in this state of the existence and due incorporation of such corporation. They and their successors shall have authority and power to give, grant, sell, lease, demise, and dispose of said real and personal estate, or part thereof, at their will and pleasure, and the proceeds, rents, and income shall be devoted exclusively to the charitable and benevolent purposes of the order of Knights of Pythias.

History: 1877, Act 17, Imd. Eff. Mar. 1, 1877;—How. 4556;—CL 1897, 8006;—CL 1915, 10467;—Am. 1929, Act 18, Eff. Aug. 28, 1929;—CL 1929, 10670;—CL 1948, 457.356;—Am. 1982, Act 536, Eff. Mar. 30, 1983.

457.357 Erection of building; capital stock, creation, shares, cemetery.

Sec. 7. Any corporation formed in pursuance of this act may erect and own such suitable edifice, building, or hall, as to such corporation shall seem proper, with convenient rooms for the meetings of the lodges of the order of Knights of Pythias; and for that purpose may create a capital stock to be divided into shares of not more than 50 dollars each; and any such corporation may take, purchase, hold, and own such suitable lot or parcel of ground as may be convenient for the purpose of a cemetery, and may make all lawful rules and regulations for the disposition of lots, and the burial of the dead therein as to such corporation may seem proper: Provided, This act shall not be construed to affect municipal regulations in regard to cemeteries.

History: 1877, Act 17, Imd. Eff. Mar. 1, 1877;—How. 4557;—CL 1897, 8007;—CL 1915, 10468;—Am. 1929, Act 18, Eff. Aug. 28, 1929;—CL 1929, 10671;—CL 1948, 457.357.

457.358 Governing law; amendment of act.

Sec. 8. All corporations formed under this act shall be subject to the provisions of chapter 130 of the Compiled Laws of this state, so far as the same may be applicable to corporations formed under this act, and the legislature may alter or amend this act at any time.

History: 1877, Act 17, Imd. Eff. Mar. 1, 1877;—How. 4558;—CL 1897, 8008;—CL 1915, 10469;—CL 1929, 10672;—CL 1948, 457.358.

Compiler's note: For provisions of chapter 130 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, referred to in this section, see §§ 450.504 to 450.525.

457.359 Uniform Rank Knights of Pythias; incorporation.

Sec. 9. Any brigade, regiment or division of the Uniform Rank Knights of Pythias of this state, having been duly warranted, may be incorporated in like manner as grand and subordinate lodges of Knights of Pythias, and enjoy the same powers, privileges and benefits under the provisions of this act.

History: Add. 1895, Act 65, Eff. Aug. 30, 1895;—CL 1897, 8009;—CL 1915, 10470;—CL 1929, 10673;—CL 1948, 457.359.

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KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS ASSOCIATIONS
Act 85 of 1905

AN ACT to provide for the incorporation of Knights of Pythias associations; and to impose certain duties upon the department of commerce.

History: 1905, Act 85, Imd. Eff. May 3, 1905;—Am. 1982, Act 92, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.361 Knights of Pythias associations; incorporation.

Sec. 1. That Knights of Pythias associations may be incorporated under the provisions of this act.

History: 1905, Act 85, Imd. Eff. May 3, 1905;—CL 1915, 10471;—CL 1929, 10674;—CL 1948, 457.361.

457.362 Articles of association; execution, contents.

Sec. 2. Any 7 or more residents of this state, who are members of any chartered body, or of different chartered bodies of the order of Knights of Pythias may make and execute articles of association under their hands and seals, which said articles of association shall be acknowledged before some officer of this state having authority to take acknowledgments of deeds, and shall set forth:

First. The names of the persons associating in the first instance, their places of residence and the name and location of the Pythian body or bodies to which they severally belong;

Second. The corporate name by which such association shall be known in law;

Third. The purpose of the association, which shall be to provide a building or buildings to be used in whole or in part for Pythian purposes, and the period for which such association is incorporated not exceeding 30 years;

Fourth. The principal office or place of business.

History: 1905, Act 85, Imd. Eff. May 3, 1905;—CL 1915, 10472;—CL 1929, 10675;—CL 1948, 457.362.

457.363 Filing copy of articles of association with department of commerce; signers of articles, associates, and successors as body corporate; evidence of existence and incorporation.

Sec. 3. A copy of said articles of association shall be filed with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, and thereupon the persons who shall have signed said articles of association, their associates and successors, shall be a body corporate by the name expressed in such articles of association. A copy of such articles of association, under the seal of the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts of this state of the existence and due incorporation of such association.

History: 1905, Act 85, Imd. Eff. May 3, 1905;—CL 1915, 10473;—CL 1929, 10676;—CL 1948, 457.363;—Am. 1982, Act 92, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.364 Powers of corporation; property, holding, disposition.

Sec. 4. Every corporation organized under the provisions of this act may take, receive, purchase and hold in its corporate capacity and for its corporate purposes, real and personal property, and the same or any part thereof demise, sell, convey, lease, use and dispose of at pleasure; and may erect and own, enlarge, alter and repair suitable building or buildings and may purchase, lease, own and maintain furnishings and fixtures therein to be used in whole or in part for meetings of Pythian bodies and may lease said building or buildings for business purposes in whole or in part and may borrow money therefor and for that purpose may issue its bonds and mortgage its property to secure the payment of such bonds.

History: 1905, Act 85, Imd. Eff. May 3, 1905;—CL 1915, 10474;—CL 1929, 10677;—CL 1948, 457.364.

457.365 Shares of stock; ownership.

Sec. 5. Shares of stock and certificates of such corporation may be held and owned by chartered or incorporated bodies of Knights of Pythias.

History: 1905, Act 85, Imd. Eff. May 3, 1905;—CL 1915, 10475;—CL 1929, 10678;—CL 1948, 457.365.

457.366 Shares of stock; by-laws.

Sec. 6. Every such corporation shall have full power and authority to provide by its by-laws for the issuing of its certificates and shares of stock and for the manner in which said shares of stock shall be held and represented.

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History: 1905, Act 85, Imd. Eff. May 3, 1905;—CL 1915, 10476;—CL 1929, 10679;—CL 1948, 457.366.

457.367 Membership; trustees, election, term, qualification.

Sec. 7. Every such corporation shall have power to provide by its by-laws for succession to its original membership and for new membership; and shall also have power to provide by its by-laws for the election from its stockholders of a board of trustees, and to fix the number and term of office of such trustees. But such board of trustees shall not be less than 5 and such term of office shall not exceed 3 years. Such board of trustees shall consist of an equal number from each subordinate chartered lodge of Knights of Pythias owning and holding shares of stock in said corporation as a lodge and situated in the town or city where the property of said corporation is located.

History: 1905, Act 85, Imd. Eff. May 3, 1905;—CL 1915, 10477;—CL 1929, 10680;—CL 1948, 457.367.

457.368 Powers of trustees; appointment of officers; by-laws and rules.

Sec. 8. The management and control of the business, affairs and property of such corporation shall be vested in said board of trustees and said board of trustees shall have power to borrow any money, and cause to be made and issue the bonds and mortgages authorized by section 4 of this act. Said trustees shall appoint from their own number a president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer, who shall perform the duties of their respective offices in accordance with the rules and regulations prescribed by the board of trustees. The first board of trustees provided for in this act shall have power to adopt by-laws and rules of procedure, and such by-laws and rules shall be binding upon all stockholders until the same are repealed.

History: 1905, Act 85, Imd. Eff. May 3, 1905;—CL 1915, 10478;—CL 1929, 10681;—CL 1948, 457.368.

457.369 First board of trustees; trustee eligibility.

Sec. 9. The first board of trustees of such corporation shall be elected by ballot from the original incorporators and their number determined upon by the incorporating stockholders. But such first board of trustees shall consist of an equal number from each subordinate lodge of Knights of Pythias represented by such incorporating stockholders. And such incorporating stockholder at such election shall have 1 vote and no more. Such board of trustees shall hold office until their successors are elected and qualified. But no person shall be entitled to election or to hold the office of trustee unless he be in good standing in his subordinate lodge of Knights of Pythias, and when he ceases to be in such good standing his office as a member of said board of trustees shall be deemed vacant and shall be vacated without further proceedings.

History: 1905, Act 85, Imd. Eff. May 3, 1905;—CL 1915, 10479;—CL 1929, 10682;—CL 1948, 457.369.

457.370 Gifts; entertainments.

Sec. 10. The said corporation shall have the further power to receive and own contributions and gifts and to use the same for its corporate purposes. It shall have the further power to hold and give entertainments for profit and to use the funds so realized for its corporate purposes.

History: 1905, Act 85, Imd. Eff. May 3, 1905;—CL 1915, 10480;—CL 1929, 10683;—CL 1948, 457.370.

457.371 Subscriptions; calling in; sale, procedure; proceeds; recovery of balance; rights of purchaser.

Sec. 11. The said board of trustees may call in the subscriptions to the capital stock of such corporation by installments, in such proportions and at such times and places as they shall think proper by giving notice thereof as the by-laws shall prescribe, and in case any stockholder shall neglect or refuse payment of any such installment for the space of 30 days after the same shall become due and payable, said corporation may recover the amount of said installment from such delinquent stockholder in any proper action for that purpose, or, so much of the stock of such delinquent stockholder as may be necessary to pay such installment so due, may be sold by the trustees at public auction at the office of the secretary of the corporation, giving at least 10 days' notice of said sale personally, in writing or by mail, to such delinquent stockholder at his last known address, or by publishing the same 3 weeks in succession in some newspaper published in the city or town where said office is located, and in case of the sale of said stock the proceeds thereof shall be first applied to the payment of the installment called for and the expenses of the sale, and the residue, if any, shall be paid over to the delinquent stockholder. In case the proceeds of such sale shall be insufficient to pay such installment such corporation may recover the balance from such delinquent stockholder. Such sale shall entitle the purchaser to all the rights of such delinquent stockholder to the extent of the shares so purchased.

History: 1905, Act 85, Imd. Eff. May 3, 1905;—CL 1915, 10481;—CL 1929, 10684;—CL 1948, 457.371.

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SOCIAL ORDER OF MOOSE
Act 104 of 1905

AN ACT to provide for the incorporation of the Social Order of Moose of the state of Michigan.

History: 1905, Act 104, Imd. Eff. May 10, 1905.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.401 Social Order of Moose; incorporation of lodges.

Sec. 1. That grand and subordinate lodges of the Social Order of Moose, of the state of Michigan, may be incorporated in pursuance of provisions of this act.

History: 1905, Act 104, Imd. Eff. May 10, 1905;—CL 1915, 10624;—CL 1929, 10685;—CL 1948, 457.401.

457.402 Grand lodge; incorporators; articles of association, execution, contents.

Sec. 2. That any 10 or more persons with their associates and successors, shall constitute the grand lodge of the Social Order of Moose, of the state of Michigan, and they are hereby authorized to make and execute under their hands and seals, articles of association, which said articles of association shall be acknowledged before some officer of this state, having authority to make (take) acknowledgments of deeds, and shall set forth:

First. The names of persons so associating in the first instance, and their places of residence;

Second. The corporate name by which such association shall be known in the law, and the place of its business office;

Third. The object and purpose of such association shall be to protect and aid its members and their families, and to promote friendship and social intercourse, and to accumulate a fund for that purpose, and the period for which it is incorporated, not exceeding 30 years.

History: 1905, Act 104, Imd. Eff. May 10, 1905;—CL 1915, 10625;—CL 1929, 10686;—CL 1948, 457.402.

457.403 Grand lodge; articles and constitution, filing; body corporate, powers.

Sec. 3. A copy of the said articles of association, together with a copy of the constitution of said grand lodge, shall be filed with the secretary of state, and thereupon the persons who shall have signed such articles of association, and their associates and successors, shall be a body politic and corporate under the name of the grand lodge of the Social Order of Moose, of the state of Michigan, and by that name they and their associates shall have succession, and shall be persons in the law, capable to purchase, take, receive, hold and enjoy, to them and their successors, estates real and personal, of suing and being sued, and they and their successors may have a common seal, which may be changed and altered at their pleasure: Provided, That the value of such real and personal estate shall not exceed the sum of 50,000 dollars, and that they, and their successors, shall have authority and power to give, grant, sell, lease, demise and dispose of said real estate or part thereof, at their will and pleasure, and the proceeds, rents and income shall be devoted exclusively to the charitable and benevolent purposes of the Social Order of Moose, of the state of Michigan. Said corporation shall have full power and authority to make and establish rules, regulations and by-laws, for regulating and governing all the affairs and business of said corporation, according to the laws of this state, and the United States, and to designate, elect or appoint, from its members, such officers, under such name and style as shall be in accordance with the customs of their order.

History: 1905, Act 104, Imd. Eff. May 10, 1905;—CL 1915, 10626;—CL 1929, 10687;—CL 1948, 457.403.

457.404 Grand lodge; certified copy of articles as evidence.

Sec. 4. A copy of the record of said articles of association, under the seal of the state, duly certified according to law, shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts of this state, of the existence and due incorporation of such corporation.

History: 1905, Act 104, Imd. Eff. May 10, 1905;—CL 1915, 10627;—CL 1929, 10688;—CL 1948, 457.404.

457.405 Subordinate lodges; chartering, regulation.

Sec. 5. Such corporation when duly formed shall have full power to institute, and charter subordinate lodges within this state, and within all states and territories of the United States, and within the Dominion of Canada, and from time to time to make, ordain, constitute and establish such constitution, general laws and by-laws, ordinances and regulations as it shall judge proper for the regulation and government of such subordinate lodges, not repugnant to the laws of this state, or the United States, or the Dominion of Canada.

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History: 1905, Act 104, Imd. Eff. May 10, 1905;—CL 1915, 10628;—CL 1929, 10689;—CL 1948, 457.405.

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LOYAL ORDER OF MOOSE
Act 291 of 1913

AN ACT to provide for the incorporation of subordinate lodges of the supreme lodge of the world, Loyal Order of Moose.

History: 1913, Act 291, Eff. Aug. 14, 1913.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.411 Loyal Order of Moose; incorporation of subordinate lodges.

Sec. 1. Any subordinate lodge of the Loyal Order of Moose, organized within this state, and having a charter from the supreme lodge of the world, Loyal Order of Moose, may become incorporated under the provisions of this act.

History: 1913, Act 291, Eff. Aug. 14, 1913;—CL 1915, 10629;—CL 1929, 10690;—CL 1948, 457.411.

457.412 Incorporators; articles of association, execution, contents.

Sec. 2. Any 10 or more persons, residents of this state, being members in good standing of a subordinate lodge of the Loyal Order of Moose, having competent authority from the supreme lodge of the world, Loyal Order of Moose, desirous to become incorporated, may make and execute articles of association, under their hands and seals, which articles of association shall be acknowledged before some officer authorized by law to take acknowledgments of deeds, and shall set forth:

First, The names of the persons associating in the first instance, and their place of residence;

Second, The corporate name by which such association shall be known in the law, and the place of its business office;

Third, The objects and purposes of such association, which shall be to assist in binding civilized mankind closer together with bonds of fraternal love, to teach and educate its members and their families a higher and nobler citizenship, and to promote friendship, and social intercourse, and to accumulate a fund for that purpose; and the period for which it is incorporated, not exceeding 30 years.

History: 1913, Act 291, Eff. Aug. 14, 1913;—CL 1915, 10630;—CL 1929, 10691;—CL 1948, 457.412.

457.413 Articles, charter and constitution; filing; body corporate, powers.

Sec. 3. A copy of said articles of association, together with the charter and constitution of the supreme lodge of the world, Loyal Order of Moose, shall be filed with the secretary of state; and thereupon the persons who have signed such articles of association, their associates and successors, shall be a body politic and corporate, by the name expressed in such articles of association, and by that name they and their successors shall have succession, and shall be persons in the law, capable to purchase, take, receive, hold and enjoy to them and their successors, estates, real and personal, of suing and being sued, and to have a common seal, which may be altered or changed at their pleasure: Provided, That the value of such real and personal estate shall not exceed the sum of 500,000 dollars and that they and their successors shall have the power to give, grant, sell, lease, mortgage, demise and dispose of said real and personal estate or part thereof at their will and pleasure, and the proceeds, rents and incomes shall be devoted to the protection and aid of its members and their families, and for no other purpose. Said corporation shall have full power to make and establish rules, regulations and by-laws, for regulating and governing all the affairs and business of said corporation not repugnant to, or inconsistent with the constitution, rules and edicts of the supreme lodge of the world, Loyal Order of Moose, or with the constitution and laws of this state, or of the United States, and to elect and appoint from its members, such officers, under such name and style as shall be in accordance with the constitution of the grand lodge of the order.

History: 1913, Act 291, Eff. Aug. 14, 1913;—CL 1915, 10631;—CL 1929, 10692;—CL 1948, 457.413.

457.414 Articles, certified copy as evidence.

Sec. 4. A copy of the record of such articles of association under the seal of the state, duly certified according to law, shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts of this state of the existence and due incorporation of such corporation.

History: 1913, Act 291, Eff. Aug. 14, 1913;—CL 1915, 10632;—CL 1929, 10693;—CL 1948, 457.414.

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ROYAL ARCANUM
Act 130 of 1879

AN ACT to provide for the incorporation of a grand council of the Royal Arcanum.

History: 1879, Act 130, Imd. Eff. May 31, 1879.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.431 Grand council of Royal Arcanum; incorporation.

Sec. 1. That the grand council of the Royal Arcanum of the state of Michigan, may be incorporated in pursuance of the provisions of this act.

History: 1879, Act 130, Imd. Eff. May 31, 1879;—How. 4565;—CL 1897, 8017;—CL 1915, 10489;—CL 1929, 10694;—CL 1948, 457.431.

457.432 Incorporators; articles of association, execution, contents.

Sec. 2. Any 10 or more persons, residents of this state, being members of the grand council of the Royal Arcanum of the state of Michigan, desirous to become incorporated, may make and execute articles of association, under their hands and seals, which articles of association shall be acknowledged before some officer authorized by law to take acknowledgments of deeds, and shall set forth:

First, The names of the persons associating in the first instance, and their places of residence;

Second, The corporate name by which such association shall be known in law;

Third, The object and purpose of such association, which shall be to promote the general welfare of the fraternity known as the grand council of the Royal Arcanum, and the period for which it is incorporated, not exceeding 30 years.

History: 1879, Act 130, Imd. Eff. May 31, 1879;—How. 4566;—Am. 1895, Act 255, Eff. Aug. 30, 1895;—CL 1897, 8018;—CL 1915, 10490;—CL 1929, 10695;—CL 1948, 457.432.

457.433 Articles, charter and constitution; filing; body corporate, powers.

Sec. 3. A copy of said articles of association, together with a copy of the charter and constitution of said grand council, shall be filed with the secretary of state, and thereupon the persons who shall have signed such articles of association, their associates and successors shall be a body politic and corporate by the name expressed in such articles of association, and by that name, they and their successors shall have succession, and shall be persons in the law, capable to purchase, take, receive, hold and enjoy, to them and their successors, estates, real and personal, of suing and being sued, and to have a common seal, which may be altered or changed at their pleasure: Provided, That the value of such real and personal estate shall not exceed the sum of 10,000 dollars, and that they and their successors shall have power to give, grant, sell, lease, demise and dispose of [said] real and personal estate, or part thereof, at their will and pleasure, and the proceeds, rents and incomes shall be devoted exclusively to the charitable and benevolent purposes of the Grand Council of the Royal Arcanum. Said corporation shall have full power to make and establish rules, regulations and by-laws for regulating and governing all the affairs and bussiness [business] of said corporation not repugnant to the constitution and laws of this state or of the United States, and to designate, elect, or appoint from its members such officers, under such name and style as shall be in accordance with the constitution of the Supreme Council of the Royal Arcanum.

History: 1879, Act 130, Imd. Eff. May 31, 1879;—How. 4567;—CL 1897, 8019;—CL 1915, 10491;—CL 1929, 10696;—CL 1948, 457.433.

457.434 Articles; certified copy as evidence.

Sec. 4. A copy of the record of such articles of association under the seal of the state, duly certified according to law, shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts of this state of the existence and due incorporation of such corporation.

History: 1879, Act 130, Imd. Eff. May 31, 1879;—How. 4568;—CL 1897, 8020;—CL 1915, 10492;—CL 1929, 10697;—CL 1948, 457.434.

457.435 Subordinate councils; chartering; existing councils; regulation.

Sec. 5. Such corporation when duly formed shall have power to institute and charter subordinate councils of said order within this state, and from time to time to make, ordain, constitute and establish such general laws and by-laws, ordinances and regulations for the government of such subordinate councils, not repugnant to law or to the constitution or regulations of the grand council of the Royal Arcanum, as to them shall seem proper and necessary; and in case of violation or non-compliance with such ordinances, by-laws and

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regulations, to revoke and annul the charter granted to such subordinate councils: Provided, That the existing subordinate councils heretofore duly chartered by the grand council of Michigan or the supreme council, shall be subject to the control of the said grand council under this act as heretofore, and in the same manner, and to the same extent as those that may hereafter be instituted and chartered under this act.

History: 1879, Act 130, Imd. Eff. May 31, 1879;—How. 4569;—CL 1897, 8021;—CL 1915, 10493;—CL 1929, 10698;—CL 1948, 457.435.

457.436 Subordinate councils; incorporation; body corporate, powers; certified copy of articles as evidence.

Sec. 6. Any 9 or more persons, residents of this state, being members of any subordinate council, having been duly chartered by the grand council of this state, desirous to become incorporated, may make and execute articles of association under their hands and seals, specifying as provided in article 2 of this act, and file a copy of such articles with the clerk of the county in which such corporation shall be formed, which shall be recorded by such clerk in a book to be kept in his office for that purpose; and thereupon the persons who shall have signed such articles of association, their associates and successors, shall be a body politic and corporate by the name expressed in such articles of association; and by that name they and their successors shall have succession, and shall be persons in the law, capable to purchase, hold, enjoy, grant, sell, give, lease and demise real and personal estate, of suing and being sued, and may have a common seal, and change and alter [the same] at pleasure; and a certified copy of the record of such articles of association, under the seal of the county where the record is kept, shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts in this state of the existence and due incorporation of such corporation: Provided, That the value of such real [and personal] estate shall not exceed the sum of 1,000 dollars, and that they and their successors shall have authority and power to give, grant, sell, lease, demise and dispose of said real and personal estate, or part thereof, at their will and pleasure, and the proceeds, rents and income shall be devoted exclusively to the charitable and benevolent purposes of the order of Royal Arcanum.

History: 1879, Act 130, Imd. Eff. May 31, 1879;—How. 4570;—CL 1897, 8022;—CL 1915, 10494;—CL 1929, 10699;—CL 1948, 457.436.

457.437 Erection of building; capital stock, creation, shares.

Sec. 7. Any corporation formed in pursuance of this act may erect and own such suitable edifice, building or hall, as such corporation shall seem proper, with convenient rooms for the meetings of the councils of the order of Royal Arcanum, and for that purpose may create a capital stock of not more than 10,000 dollars, to be divided into shares of not more than 10 dollars each.

History: 1879, Act 130, Imd. Eff. May 31, 1879;—How. 4571;—CL 1897, 8023;—CL 1915, 10495;—CL 1929, 10700;—CL 1948, 457.437.

457.438 Governing law; amendment of act.

Sec. 8. All corporations formed under this act shall be subjected [subject] to the provisions of chapter 130 of the Compiled Laws of this state, so far as the same may be applicable to corporations formed under this act and the legislature may alter or amend this act at any time.

History: 1879, Act 130, Imd. Eff. May 31, 1879;—How. 4572;—CL 1897, 8024;—CL 1915, 10496;—CL 1929, 10701;—CL 1948, 457.438.

Compiler's note: For provisions of chapter 130 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, referred to in this section, see §§ 450.504 to 450.525.

457.439 Amendment of articles; procedure.

Sec. 9. Every corporation organized or existing under the provisions of this act may at any regular meeting or at any meeting duly called for that purpose, amend its articles of association in any manner not inconsistent with the provisions of this act, but such amendment shall not become operative until a copy of such amendment, signed by the presiding officer and the secretary of the corporation shall have been recorded as is provided herein for the recording of original articles of association when such amendment shall have the same force and effect as though included in the original articles.

History: Add. 1895, Act 255, Eff. Aug. 30, 1895;—CL 1897, 8025;—CL 1915, 10497;—CL 1929, 10702;—CL 1948, 457.439.

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KNIGHTS OF THE MACCABEES OF THE WORLD
Act 143 of 1881

AN ACT to provide for the incorporation of "subordinate tents of the Knights of the Maccabees of the World," and the great camp thereof for the state of Michigan; and to impose certain duties on the department of commerce.

History: 1881, Act 143, Imd. Eff. May 11, 1881;—Am. 1982, Act 81, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.451 Subordinate tent of the Knights of Maccabees of the World; manner of becoming body corporate and politic.

Sec. 1. Any subordinate tent of the Knights of the Maccabees of the World, duly organized and acting within this state, and in good standing with the great camp of said order within said state, and acting under the constitution thereof, may become a body corporate and politic in the manner following:

First, At some regular review of said tent, a resolution shall be put to vote of the members present, expressing the desire of said tent to be incorporated and directing the officers thereof to perfect such incorporation, and if such resolution shall receive a 2/3 vote of the members present, it shall be declared carried, otherwise lost;

Second, On such resolution being so passed, the sir knight commander and sir knight record keeper shall prepare articles of association under their hands and the seal of the tent, setting forth the number of persons then in good standing in the tent desiring incorporation, the name by which the tent is known, the date of its organization, and the period for which it is incorporated, not exceeding 30 years.

Third, A copy of such articles of association shall be filed with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, together with the affidavit hereafter named.

Fourth, On the execution of said articles of association, and before the filing thereof with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce the sir knight record keeper of such tent shall annex thereto his affidavit stating that he is a member in good standing of such tent and occupies the position of record keeper therein and that the resolution, a copy of which shall be set forth at length in such affidavit, was regularly passed at a regular review of said tent and received a 2/3 majority of the members present, and that to the best of his knowledge and belief the statements made in the articles of association are true and that said tent is organized and acting under the constitution of the great camp of the Knights of the Maccabees of the World for Michigan.

History: 1881, Act 143, Imd. Eff. May 11, 1881;—How. 4573;—Am. 1883, Act 89, Imd. Eff. May 11, 1883;—CL 1897, 8026;—CL 1915, 10498;—CL 1929, 10703;—CL 1948, 457.451;—Am. 1982, Act 81, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.452 Tent as body corporate; evidence of existence and due incorporation.

Sec. 2. When the foregoing requirements are complied with, the tent shall be a body corporate by the name expresed in such articles, and by that name shall be a person in the law capable of suing and being sued in courts, and of taking and holding property of every kind the same as natural persons, and a copy of said articles of association, duly certified by the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce in whose possession they are, shall be conclusive evidence in all courts and places, of the existence and due incorporation of such tent.

History: 1881, Act 143, Imd. Eff. May 11, 1881;—How. 4574;—Am. 1883, Act 89, Imd. Eff. May 11, 1883;—CL 1897, 8027;—CL 1915, 10499;—CL 1929, 10704;—CL 1948, 457.452;—Am. 1982, Act 81, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.453 Great camp; declaration of incorporation; powers, control over subordinate tents.

Sec. 3. The present great camp of the Knights of the Maccabees of the World for Michigan, incorporated June 11 A.D. 1881 under the act of which this act is amendatory, is hereby declared to be duly and regularly incorporated, capable of suing and being sued, and of holding and transferring property, and to have sole jurisdiction over and control of all subordinate tents heretofore organized or that may be hereafter organized in the state of Michigan and bearing the name or title of the Knights of the Maccabees of the World, subject only to the constitution and laws of the order.

History: 1881, Act 143, Imd. Eff. May 11, 1881;—How. 4575;—Am. 1883, Act 89, Imd. Eff. May 11, 1883;—CL 1897, 8028;—CL 1915, 10500;—CL 1929, 10705;—CL 1948, 457.453.

457.454 Great camp; property, disposition, control.

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Sec. 4. The property, real and personal, of said great camp of Michigan Maccabees, and any incorporation formed under this act, shall be held, disposed of, managed and controlled by such persons, and in such manner as the majority of the members shall from time to time determine in accordance with the constitution and laws of the order.

History: 1881, Act 143, Imd. Eff. May 11, 1881;—How. 4576;—Am. 1883, Act 89, Imd. Eff. May 11, 1883;—CL 1897, 8029;—CL 1915, 10501;—CL 1929, 10706;—CL 1948, 457.454.

457.455 Control of property and business.

Sec. 5. The management, direction and control of the property and business of such corporations shall be vested in such of its officers and persons as a majority of the members present and acting thereon shall from time to time determine.

History: 1881, Act 143, Imd. Eff. May 11, 1881;—How. 4577;—CL 1897, 8030;—CL 1915, 10502;—CL 1929, 10707;—CL 1948, 457.455.

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UNIFORM DIVISION OF KNIGHTS OF THE MACCABEES
Act 163 of 1893

AN ACT to provide for the incorporation of the Uniform Division of the Knights of the Maccabees.

History: 1893, Act 163, Eff. Aug. 28, 1893.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.461 Uniform Rank of Knights of Maccabees; incorporation.

Sec. 1. That the grand division and subordinate divisions of the Uniform Rank of the Knights of the Maccabees of the state of Michigan, may be incorporated in pursuance of the provisions of this act.

History: 1893, Act 163, Eff. Aug. 28, 1893;—CL 1897, 8031;—CL 1915, 10503;—CL 1929, 10708;—CL 1948, 457.461.

457.462 Incorporators; articles of association, execution, contents.

Sec. 2. Any 10 or more persons, residents of this state being members of the grand or any subordinate division of the Uniform Rank of the Knights of the Maccabees of the state of Michigan, desirous to become incorporated may make and execute articles of association, under their hands and seals, which articles of association shall be acknowledged before some officer authorized by law to take acknowledgments of deeds and shall set forth:

First, The names of the persons associating in the first instance and their places of residence;

Second, The corporate name by which such association shall be known in the law, and the place of its business office;

Third, The object and purpose of such association, which shall be to promote the general welfare of the fraternity known as the grand division of the Uniform Rank Knights of the Maccabees, and the period for which it is incorporated, not exceeding 30 years.

History: 1893, Act 163, Eff. Aug. 28, 1893;—CL 1897, 8032;—CL 1915, 10504;—CL 1929, 10709;—CL 1948, 457.462.

457.463 Articles and laws; filing; body corporate, powers.

Sec. 3. A copy of said articles of association together with a copy of the laws of said grand division, shall be filed with the secretary of the state, and thereupon the persons who shall have signed such articles of association, their associates and successors shall be a body politic and corporate by the name expressed in such articles of association, and by that name they and their successors shall have succession, and shall be persons in the law capable to purchase, take, receive, hold, and enjoy to them and their successors, estates real and personal, of suing and being sued, and to have a common seal, which may be altered or changed at their pleasure: Provided, That the value of such real and personal estate shall not exceed the sum of 10,000 dollars, said corporation shall have full power to make and establish rules, regulations and laws for regulating and governing all the affairs and business of said corporation not repugnant to the constitution and laws of this state or the United States, and to designate, elect or appoint from its members such officers, under such name and style as shall be in accordance with its laws.

History: 1893, Act 163, Eff. Aug. 28, 1893;—CL 1897, 8033;—CL 1915, 10505;—CL 1929, 10710;—CL 1948, 457.463.

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LADIES OF THE MACCABEES
Act 120 of 1891

AN ACT to provide for the incorporation of the great hive and subordinate hives of the Ladies of the Maccabees of the state of Michigan; and to impose certain duties upon the department of commerce.

History: 1891, Act 120, Imd. Eff. June 5, 1891;—Am. 1982, Act 84, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.471 Great hive and subordinate hives of ladies of Maccabees; manner of becoming body corporate and politic.

Sec. 1. That the great hive of the Ladies of the Maccabees of the state of Michigan and any subordinate hives duly chartered by such great hive pursuant to the provisions of the constitution and laws of said great hive, may become a body corporate and politic in the manner following:

First, At some regular review of such great hive held pursuant to the constitution and laws thereof, a resolution shall be adopted by a vote of 2/3 of all the members present, expressing the desire and determination of such great hive to become incorporated and directing the great executive committee to perfect such incorporation.

Second, On such resolution being so passed, the great executive committee shall prepare articles of association, under their hands and the seal of such great hive, setting forth the number, name and location of all subordinate hives then in good standing, under the jurisdiction of such great hive, the name by which the great hive is known, the date of its organization, a copy of the resolution mentioned in the first subdivision of this act, the corporate name by which the great hive shall be known in law, the object and purpose of the association, and the period for which it is incorporated, not exceeding 30 years, to which shall be appended a copy of the constitution, laws and by-laws of the great hive.

Third, The great recorder shall make and annex to such articles of association, an affidavit stating the official position occupied in the great hive by the several members of the executive committee, that the resolution, a copy of which is set out in the articles of association, was duly passed at a review of said great hive held pursuant to the constitution and that the same was passed by a 2/3 vote of all the members present, that all the statements in said articles of association are true to the best of her knowledge, information and belief, and that the constitution, laws, and by-laws of such great hive, a copy of which is appended to such articles of association, has been duly adopted by such great hive.

Fourth, A copy of such articles of association with all the papers mentioned in the second subdivision of this act and of the affidavit of said great recorder, by her duly attested, shall be filed with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce.

History: 1891, Act 120, Imd. Eff. June 5, 1891;—CL 1897, 8034;—CL 1915, 10506;—CL 1929, 10711;—CL 1948, 457.471;—Am. 1982, Act 84, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.472 Great hive of ladies of Maccabees as body corporate and politic; power and authority; evidence of existence and incorporation.

Sec. 2. When all of the foregoing requirements are complied with the great hive of the Ladies of the Maccabees of the state of Michigan, shall be a body corporate and politic, by the name expressed in such article of association and by that name shall be in law capable of suing, and being sued, in all the courts of this state, with full power and authority to transact the business of said association, pursuant to the constitution, laws and by-laws thereof, and said articles of association or a copy thereof, duly attested by the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, under the seal thereof, shall be prima facie evidence in all the courts of this state, of the existence and incorporation of said great hive of the Ladies of the Maccabees.

History: 1891, Act 120, Imd. Eff. June 5, 1891;—CL 1897, 8035;—CL 1915, 10507;—CL 1929, 10712;—CL 1948, 457.472;—Am. 1982, Act 84, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.473 Amendment of constitution, laws, and by-laws.

Sec. 3. The great hive of the Ladies of the Maccabees is hereby authorized to amend its constitution, laws and by-laws, at any regular review of said great hive, after its incorporation, but such amendments shall not be inconsistent with the object and purpose of such association as stated in its articles of association and such constitution, laws and by-laws, shall be in force from and after the filing with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce of an attested copy thereof, under the hand of the great recorder and the seal of said great hive.

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History: 1891, Act 120, Imd. Eff. June 5, 1891;—CL 1897, 8036;—CL 1915, 10508;—CL 1929, 10713;—CL 1948, 457.473;—Am. 1982, Act 84, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.474 Incorporation of chartered subordinate hive; procedure; evidence of existence and incorporation.

Sec. 4. Any subordinate hive, now chartered, or which may hereafter be chartered, by the great hive of the Ladies of the Maccabees of the state of Michigan, may become incorporated and be a body corporate and politic, by passing, by a 2/3 vote of all the members present, at any regular review, of such subordinate hive, a like resolution, as provided in section 1 of this act, executing similar articles of association, under the hands of its executive committee, and the seal of the hive, and appending thereto the affidavit of its recorder, setting forth the official character of the several members of its executive committee, that said resolution was passed at a regular review, and received the affirmative votes of 2/3 of all the members present, and filing the same with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce. A copy of said articles of association duly certified by the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce shall be prima facie evidence in all the courts of this state, of the existence and incorporation of such subordinate hive.

History: 1891, Act 120, Imd. Eff. June 5, 1891;—CL 1897, 8037;—CL 1915, 10509;—CL 1929, 10714;—CL 1948, 457.474;—Am. 1982, Act 84, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.475 Property; holding and disposition; control of business.

Sec. 5. Every corporation formed pursuant to this act may take and hold personal and real property, so far as the same shall be necessary for the proper purposes of the organization, not exceeding 10,000 dollars, in value, and may convey, dispose of, mortgage, and deal with the same, as may be determined by the constitution, laws and by-laws of such great hive, or of such subordinate hive, as the case may be. The management, direction and control of the property and business of such corporations shall be vested in such officers as the constitution and laws of the great hive may direct.

History: 1891, Act 120, Imd. Eff. June 5, 1891;—CL 1897, 8038;—CL 1915, 10510;—CL 1929, 10715;—CL 1948, 457.475.

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IMPROVED ORDER OF RED MEN
Act 16 of 1875

AN ACT to provide for the incorporation of tribes and councils of the Improved Order of Red Men, and to repeal chapter 122 of the Compiled Laws, being an act to provide for the incorporation of societies of Pocahontas tribes of Improved Order of Red Men; and to impose certain duties upon the department of commerce.

History: 1875, Act 16, Eff. Aug. 3, 1875;—Am. 1982, Act 90, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.481 Improved Order of Red Men; incorporation.

Sec. 1. That the great council and subordinate tribes of the Improved Order of Red Men of the state of Michigan may be incorporated in pursuance of the provisions of this act.

History: 1875, Act 16, Eff. Aug. 3, 1875;—How. 4542;—CL 1897, 8039;—CL 1915, 10511;—CL 1929, 10716;—CL 1948, 457.481 .

Former law: See Act 102 of 1869, being CL 1871, §§ 3253 to 3256.

457.482 Great council; incorporators; articles of association, execution, contents.

Sec. 2. Any 10 or more persons, residents of this state, being members of any great council of the Improved Order of Red Men of the state of Michigan, desirous to become incorporated, may make and execute articles of association, under their hands and seals, which articles of association shall be acknowledged before some officer authorized by law to take acknowledgment of deeds, and shall set forth:

First, The names of the persons associating in the first instance, and their places of residence;

Second, The corporate name by which such association shall be known in the law, and the place of its business office;

Third, The object and purpose of such association, which shall be to promote the general welfare of the fraternity known as the "Improved Order of Red Men," and the period for which it is incorporated, not exceeding 30 years.

History: 1875, Act 16, Eff. Aug. 3, 1875;—How. 4543;—CL 1897, 8040;—CL 1915, 10512;—CL 1929, 10717;—CL 1948, 457.482 .

457.483 Great council; filing copy of articles, charter, and constitution with department of commerce; signers of articles, associates, and successors as body politic and corporate; powers.

Sec. 3. A copy of said articles of association, together with a copy of the charter and constitution of said great council, shall be filed with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, and thereupon the persons who shall have signed such articles of association, their associates and successors, shall be a body politic and corporate, by the name expressed in such articles of association, and by that name they and their successors shall have succession, and shall be persons in the law, capable to purchase, take, receive, hold, and enjoy, to them and their successors, estates real and personal, of suing and being sued and to have a common seal, which may be altered or changed at their pleasure: Provided, That the value of such real and personal estate shall not exceed the sum of $10,000.00, and that they and their successors shall have power to give, grant, sell, lease, demise, and dispose of said real and personal estate, or part thereof, at their will and pleasure, and the proceeds, rents, and incomes shall be devoted exclusively to the charitable and benevolent purposes of the Improved Order of Red Men. Said corporation shall have full power to make and establish rules, regulations, and bylaws for regulating and governing all the affairs and business of said corporation not repugnant to the constitution and laws of this state or of the United States, and to designate, elect, or appoint from its members such officers, under such name and style as shall be in accordance with the constitution of the great council of the United States.

History: 1875, Act 16, Eff. Aug. 3, 1875;—How. 4544;—CL 1897, 8041;—CL 1915, 10513;—CL 1929, 10718;—CL 1948, 457.483 ;—Am. 1982, Act 90, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.484 Evidence of existence and incorporation.

Sec. 4. A copy of the record of such articles of association, under the seal of the department of commerce, duly certified according to law, shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts of this state of the existence and due incorporation of such corporation.

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History: 1875, Act 16, Eff. Aug. 3, 1875;—How. 4545;—CL 1897, 8042;—CL 1915, 10514;—CL 1929, 10719;—CL 1948, 457.484 ;—Am. 1982, Act 90, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.485 Subordinate tribes; chartering; existing subordinate tribes; regulation.

Sec. 5. Such corporation, when duly formed, shall have power to institute and charter subordinate tribes of said order within this state, and from time to time to make, ordain, constitute and establish such general laws and by-laws, ordinances and regulations for the government of such subordinate tribes not repugnant to law or to the constitution or regulations of the great council of the Improved Order of Red Men of the United States, as to them shall seem proper and necessary, and in case of violation or non-compliance with such ordinances, by-laws and regulations, to revoke and annul the charter granted to such subordinate tribes: Provided, That the existing subordinate tribes heretofore duly chartered by the great council of Michigan or of the United States shall be subject to the control of the said great council under this act as heretofore, and in the same manner and to the same extent as those that may hereafter be instituted and chartered under this act.

History: 1875, Act 16, Eff. Aug. 3, 1875;—How. 4546;—CL 1897, 8043;—CL 1915, 10515;—CL 1929, 10720;—CL 1948, 457.485 .

457.486 Incorporation of tribe of Improved Order of Red Men; making and executing articles of incorporation; filing copy of articles with department of commerce, signers of articles, associates, and successors as body politic and corporate; powers; evidence of existence and incorporation.

Sec. 6. Any 7 or more persons, residents of this state, being members of a tribe of Improved Order of Red Men, having been duly chartered by the great council of the Improved Order of Red Men of this state, desirous to become incorporated, may make and execute articles of association under their hands and seals, specifying, as provided in article 2 of this act, and file a copy of such articles with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, and thereupon the persons who shall have signed said articles of association, their associates and successors, shall be a body politic and corporate, by the name expressed in such articles of association; and by that name they and their successors shall have succession, and shall be persons in the law, capable to purchase, hold, enjoy, grant, sell, give, lease, and demise real and personal estate, of suing and being sued, and may have a common seal, and change and alter the same at pleasure; and a certified copy of the record of such articles of association under the seal of the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts of this state of the existence and due incorporation of such corporation: Provided, That the value of such real and personal estate shall not exceed the sum of $10,000.00, and that they and their successors shall have authority and power to give, grant, sell, lease, demise, and dispose of said real and personal estate or part thereof, at their will and pleasure, and the proceeds, rents, and income shall be devoted exclusively to the charitable and benevolent purposes of the Improved Order of Red Men.

History: 1875, Act 16, Eff. Aug. 3, 1875;—How. 4547;—CL 1897, 8044;—CL 1915, 10516;—CL 1929, 10721;—CL 1948, 457.486 ;—Am. 1982, Act 90, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.487 Erection of building; capital stock, creation, shares; cemetery.

Sec. 7. Any corporation formed in pursuance of this act may erect and own such suitable edifice, building or hall as to such corporation shall seem proper, with convenient rooms for the meetings of the tribes or councils of the Improved Order of Red Men; and for that purpose may create a capital stock of not more than 10,000 dollars, to be divided into shares of not more than 10 dollars each; and any such corporation may take, purchase, hold and own such suitable lot or parcel of ground as may be convenient for the purpose of a cemetery, and may make all lawful rules and regulations for the disposition of lots and the burial of the dead therein as to such corporation may seem proper.

History: 1875, Act 16, Eff. Aug. 3, 1875;—How. 4548;—CL 1897, 8045;—CL 1915, 10517;—CL 1929, 10722;—CL 1948, 457.487 .

457.488 Governing law; amendment of act.

Sec. 8. All corporations formed under this act shall be subject to the provisions of chapter 130 of the Compiled Laws of this state, so far as the same may be applicable to corporations formed under this act, and the legislature may alter or amend this act at any time.

History: 1875, Act 16, Eff. Aug. 3, 1875;—How. 4549;—CL 1897, 8046;—CL 1915, 10518;—CL 1929, 10723;—CL 1948, 457.488 .

Compiler's note: For provisions of chapter 130 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, referred to in this section, see §§ 450.504 to 450.525.

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ANCIENT ORDER OF UNITED WORKMEN
Act 83 of 1887

AN ACT to provide for the incorporation of lodges of the Ancient Order of United Workmen; and to impose certain duties on the department of commerce.

History: 1887, Act 83, Imd. Eff. Apr. 22, 1887;—Am. 1982, Act 88, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.501 Lodges of Ancient Order of United Workmen; incorporation.

Sec. 1. That grand lodges and subordinate lodges of the Ancient Order of United Workmen of the state of Michigan may be incorporated in pursuance of the provisions of this act.

History: 1887, Act 83, Imd. Eff. Apr. 22, 1887;—How. 4577x;—CL 1897, 8047;—CL 1915, 10520;—CL 1929, 10725;—CL 1948, 457.501.

457.502 Grand lodge; incorporators; articles of association, contents.

Sec. 2. Any 10 or more persons, residents of this state, being members of a grand lodge of the Ancient Order of United Workmen of the state of Michigan, that has been duly chartered by the supreme lodge of the said order, and including in their number the grand master workman, the grand recorder and the grand receiver of said grand lodge, desiring to become incorporated, may make and sign articles of association, setting forth their names, official titles, and place of residence, the corporate name by which the association shall be known in the law, the place of its business office, the period for which it is incorporated, not exceeding 30 years, and the purposes of the association, which shall be to promote the general welfare of the fraternity known as the Ancient Order of United Workmen, to improve the mental, moral and social condition of the members of said fraternity, and to provide for the relief of the families and heirs of deceased members of the said fraternity.

History: 1887, Act 83, Imd. Eff. Apr. 22, 1887;—How. 4577y;—CL 1897, 8048;—CL 1915, 10520;—CL 1929, 10726;—CL 1948, 457.502.

457.503 Articles of association; acknowledgment; filing copy of articles with department of commerce; signers of articles, associates, and successors as body politic and corporate; powers.

Sec. 3. Such articles of association shall be acknowledged before a notary public, and a copy thereof shall be filed with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, and thereupon the persons who shall have signed such articles of association, their associates and successors, shall be a body politic and corporate by the name expressed in such articles of association, and by that name they and their successors shall have succession, and shall be persons in the law capable to sue and be sued, to have a common seal, which may be altered or changed at their pleasure, to receive, hold and enjoy, for themselves and their successors, estates, real and personal, and to give, grant, sell, lease, demise and dispose of such estates: Provided, That such real estate, and the proceeds, rents and incomes thereof shall be devoted exclusively to the charitable and benevolent purposes of the fraternity known as the Ancient Order of United Workmen. Said corporation shall have full power to make and establish rules, regulations and bylaws not repugnant to the constitution and laws of the United States or of this state, of the supreme lodge of the Ancient Order of United Workmen, and to designate, elect or appoint from its members, such officers, under such name and style as shall be in accordance with the constitution and laws of said supreme lodge. And said corporation shall have power to create, hold, and disburse beneficiary, relief, guaranty, general, or other funds for the benefit of sick or disabled members or of members of the families of deceased members of subordinate lodges of the Ancient Order of United Workmen, or of persons related to such members by blood, or who shall be dependent upon such members; to enter into arrangements or agreements with the supreme lodge or with the supreme lodge relief board, whereby, in the event of an unusual number of deaths occurring in any 1 year among the members of the lodges subordinate to the jurisdiction of said grand lodge, or of any other grand lodge, or of the supreme lodge of the said order, said grand lodge may afford aid from its guaranty fund, or may itself receive aid, as the case may require; and to levy assessments upon members of subordinate lodges for the purpose of raising the beneficiary, relief, guaranty, general or other funds, and of carrying out such arrangements with the supreme lodge or with the supreme lodge relief board: Provided, That nothing in this section shall be construed as giving to a grand lodge power to make assessments for the purpose of paying sick benefits.

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History: 1887, Act 83, Imd. Eff. Apr. 22, 1887;—How. 4577z;—CL 1897, 8049;—Am. 1901, Act 192, Eff. Sept. 5, 1901;—CL 1915, 10522;—CL 1929, 10727;—CL 1948, 457.503;—Am. 1982, Act 88, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.504 Evidence of existence and incorporation.

Sec. 4. A copy of the record of such articles of association, under the seal of the department of commerce, duly certified according to law, shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts of this state of the existence and due incorporation of such corporation.

History: 1887, Act 83, Imd. Eff. Apr. 22, 1887;—How. 4577z-1;—CL 1897, 8050;—CL 1915, 10523;—CL 1929, 10728;—CL 1948, 457.504;—Am. 1982, Act 88, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.505 Subordinate lodges; chartering; existing lodges; regulation.

Sec. 5. Such corporation when formed shall have power to institute and charter subordinate lodges within this state, and from time to time to make, ordain, constitute and establish such general laws and by-laws, ordinances and regulations, for the government of such subordinate lodges, not repugnant to law or to the constitution and regulations of the grand lodge or of the supreme lodge, as shall seem to it necessary and proper, and in case of non-compliance with such general laws, by-laws, ordinances, and regulations, to revoke and annul the charter granted to any such subordinate lodge: Provided, however, That the existing subordinate lodges heretofore duly chartered by the grand lodge of Michigan, or the supreme lodge, shall be subject to the control of the said grand lodge as heretofore, and in the same manner and to the same extent as those which may hereafter be chartered under this act.

History: 1887, Act 83, Imd. Eff. Apr. 22, 1887;—How. 4577z-2;—CL 1897, 8051;—CL 1915, 10524;—CL 1929, 10729;—CL 1948, 457.505.

457.506 Subordinate lodges; incorporation.

Sec. 6. Any 10 or more persons, residents of this state, being members in good standing of any subordinate lodge of the Ancient Order of United Workmen, and including in their number the master workman, the recorder and the receiver of such lodge, duly chartered by a grand lodge of this state or by the supreme lodge, desiring to become incorporated, may make and sign articles of association, specifying as provided in the second section of this act.

History: 1887, Act 83, Imd. Eff. Apr. 22, 1887;—How. 4577z-3;—CL 1897, 8052;—CL 1915, 10525;—CL 1929, 10730;—CL 1948, 457.506.

457.507 Acknowledgment of articles; filing copy of articles with department of commerce; signers of articles, associates, and successors as body politic and corporate; powers.

Sec. 7. Such articles shall be acknowledged before a notary public, and a copy thereof shall be filed with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, and thereupon the persons who shall have signed such articles of association, their associates and successors, shall be a body politic and corporate by the name expressed in such articles of association, and by that name they and their successors shall have succession, and shall be persons in the law capable to sue and be sued, to have a common seal which may be altered or changed at their pleasure, to purchase, take, receive, hold and enjoy, for themselves and their successors, estates, real and personal, and to give, grant, sell, lease, demise, and dispose of such estates: Provided, That the value of such real estate, exclusive of the building authorized by section 9 of this act, shall not exceed the sum of $5,000.00, and that the proceeds, rents, and incomes thereof shall be devoted exclusively to the charitable and benevolent purposes of the fraternity known as the Ancient Order of United Workmen.

History: 1887, Act 83, Imd. Eff. Apr. 22, 1887;—How. 4577z-4;—CL 1897, 8053;—CL 1915, 10526;—CL 1929, 10731;—CL 1948, 457.507;—Am. 1982, Act 88, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.508 Evidence of existence and incorporation.

Sec. 8. A certified copy of the record of such articles of association, under the seal of the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts in this state of the existence and due incorporation of such corporation.

History: 1887, Act 83, Imd. Eff. Apr. 22, 1887;—How. 4577z-5;—CL 1897, 8054;—CL 1915, 10527;—CL 1929, 10732;—CL 1948, 457.508;—Am. 1982, Act 88, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.509 Subordinate lodges; erection of building; capital stock, creation, shares.

Sec. 9. Any corporation other than a grand lodge formed in pursuance of this act, may erect and own such edifice, building or hall, as it shall deem proper, with convenient rooms for the meetings of lodges of the order, and for that purpose may create a capital stock of not more than 50,000 dollars, to be divided into

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shares of not more than 100 dollars each.

History: 1887, Act 83, Imd. Eff. Apr. 22, 1887;—How. 4577z-6;—CL 1897, 8055;—CL 1915, 10528;—CL 1929, 10733;—CL 1948, 457.509.

457.510 Incorporated grand or subordinate lodge; surrendering corporate rights, powers, and liabilities; filing certificate with department of commerce; re-incorporation.

Sec. 10. Any grand or subordinate lodge which shall have been incorporated before this act takes effect as a law, under the provisions of former Act No. 104 of 1869, may by a vote of the members of such lodge at any regular meeting thereof, surrender its corporate rights, powers and liabilities, but such surrender shall not in any manner affect any suits which may be pending, or any rights which any person may have acquired by virtue of such incorporation; but before such surrender shall be valid, a certificate of the proper officers, under the seal of such lodge, shall be filed with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, certifying that such lodge has voted to surrender its corporate rights; and any such lodge having so surrendered its corporate rights may be again incorporated, in conformity with the provisions of this act: Provided, That all members of the corporate body that has surrendered its corporate rights shall, by virtue of such re-incorporation, and the payment of the first beneficiary assessment made by the re-incorporated body be entitled to all the rights and benefits flowing therefrom, and the beneficiary certificates held by them shall be treated and considered by the re-incorporated body as of its own issuance, and shall be, so far as the member is concerned, of the same force and effect as if issued by the re-incorporated body.

History: 1887, Act 83, Imd. Eff. Apr. 22, 1887;—How. 4577z-7;—CL 1897, 8056;—CL 1915, 10529;—CL 1929, 10734;—CL 1948, 457.510;—Am. 1982, Act 88, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.511 Insurance business.

Sec. 11. Corporations formed in pursuance of this act shall not be considered as engaged in the business of life insurance, nor shall they be subject to the provision of the statutes relating to life insurance or mutual benefit companies, associations or corporations.

History: 1887, Act 83, Imd. Eff. Apr. 22, 1887;—How. 4577z-8;—CL 1897, 8057;—CL 1915, 10530;—CL 1929, 10735;—CL 1948, 457.511.

457.512 Money or benefit to be paid; exemptions.

Sec. 12. The money or other benefit, relief, aid or sick benefit fund to be paid, provided or rendered by any corporation formed in pursuance of this act, shall not be liable to attachment, garnishment or other process and shall not be seized, taken, appropriated or applied by any legal or equitable process or by operation of law, to pay any debt or liability of the deceased member, or of any certificate holder, or of any beneficiary named in any certificate, or of any person who may have any rights thereunder.

History: Add. 1899, Act 130, Imd. Eff. June 15, 1899;—CL 1915, 10531;—CL 1929, 10736;—CL 1948, 457.512.

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INDEPENDENT ORDER OF FORESTERS
Act 136 of 1891

AN ACT to provide for the incorporation of the high and subordinate courts of the Independent Order of Foresters for the state of Michigan; and to impose certain duties upon the department of commerce.

History: 1891, Act 136, Eff. Oct. 2, 1891;—Am. 1982, Act 91, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.531 Independent Order of Foresters; incorporation.

Sec. 1. That the high and subordinate courts of the Independent Order of Foresters of the state of Michigan may be incorporated in pursuance of the provisions of this act.

History: 1891, Act 136, Eff. Oct. 2, 1891;—CL 1897, 8058;—CL 1915, 10532;—CL 1929, 10737;—CL 1948, 457.531.

457.532 High court; incorporators; articles of association, execution, contents.

Sec. 2. Any 10 or more persons, residents of this state, being members of the high and subordinate courts of the Independent Order of Foresters, of the state of Michigan, desirous to [be] become incorporated, may make and execute articles of incorporation under their hands and seal, which articles of association shall be acknowledged before some officer authorized by law to take acknowledgments of deeds, and shall set forth,

First, The names of the persons associating in the first instance, and their places of residence;

Second, The corporate names by which such association shall be known in the law, and the place of its business office;

Third, The object and purpose of such association, which shall be to promote the general welfare of the fraternity known as the high court of the Independent Order of Foresters and the period for which it is incorporated, not exceeding 30 years.

History: 1891, Act 136, Eff. Oct. 2, 1891;—CL 1897, 8059;—CL 1915, 10533;—CL 1929, 10738;—CL 1948, 457.532.

457.533 High court; filing copy of articles, charter, and constitution with department of commerce; signers of articles, associates, and successors as body politic and corporate; powers.

Sec. 3. A copy of said articles of association, together with a copy of the charter and constitution of said high court, shall be filed with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, and thereupon the persons who shall have signed such articles of association, their associates and successors, shall be a body politic and corporate by the name expressed in such articles of association, and by that name they and their successors, shall have succession, and shall be persons in the law capable to purchase, take, receive, hold, and enjoy to them and their successors, estates, real and personal, of suing and being sued, and to have a common seal, which may be altered or changed at their pleasure: Provided, That the value of such real and personal estate shall not exceed the sum of $10,000.00, and that they and their successors shall have power to give, grant, sell, lease, demise and dispose of said real and personal estate, or part thereof, at their will and pleasure, and the proceeds, rents, and incomes shall be devoted exclusively to the charitable and benevolent purposes of the high court of the Independent Order of Foresters. Said corporation to have full power to make and establish rules, regulations, and by-laws for regulating and governing all the affairs and business of said corporation not repugnant to the constitution and laws of this state or of the United States, and to designate, elect, or appoint, from its members, such officers, under such name and style as shall be in accordance with the constitution or the laws of the supreme court of the Independent Order of Foresters.

History: 1891, Act 136, Eff. Oct. 2, 1891;—CL 1897, 8060;—CL 1915, 10534;—CL 1929, 10739;—CL 1948, 457.533;—Am. 1982, Act 91, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.534 Evidence of existence and incorporation.

Sec. 4. A copy of the record of such articles of association, under the seal of the Department of Commerce, duly certified, according to law, shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts of this state of the existence and due incorporation of such corporation.

History: 1891, Act 136, Eff. Oct. 2, 1891;—CL 1897, 8061;—CL 1915, 10535;—CL 1929, 10740;—CL 1948, 457.534;—Am. 1982, Act 91, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.535 Subordinate courts; chartering; existing courts, regulation.

Sec. 5. Such corporation, when duly formed, shall have power to institute and charter subordinate courts of said order within this state, and from time to time to make, ordain, constitute and establish such general laws

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and by-laws, ordinances and regulations for the government of such subordinate courts not repugnant to the law or to the constitution or regulations of the high court and the supreme court of the Independent Order of Foresters as to them shall seem proper and necessary; and in case of violation or non-compliance with such ordinances, by-laws and regulations, to revoke and annul the charter granted to such subordinate courts: Provided, That the existing subordinate courts heretofore duly chartered by the high court of Michigan or the supreme court, shall be subject to the control of the said high court under this act as heretofore, and in the same manner and to the same extent as those that may be hereafter instituted and chartered under this act.

History: 1891, Act 136, Eff. Oct. 2, 1891;—CL 1897, 8062;—CL 1915, 10536;—CL 1929, 10741;—CL 1948, 457.535.

457.536 Subordinate courts; incorporation; making and executing articles of association; filing articles with department of commerce; signers of articles, associates, and successors as body politic and corporate; powers.

Sec. 6. Any 9 or more persons, residents of this state, being members of any subordinate court, having been duly chartered by the high court of this state, desirous to become incorporated, may make and execute articles of association under their hands and seal, specifying as provided in article 2 of this act, and file a copy of such articles with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, and thereupon the persons who shall have signed such articles of association, their associates and successors, shall be a body politic and corporate by the name expressed in such articles of incorporation, and by that name they and their successors shall have succession, and shall be persons in the law capable to purchase, hold, and enjoy, grant, sell, give, lease, and demise real and personal estate, of suing and being sued, and may have a common seal and change and alter the same at pleasure, and a certified copy of the record of such articles of association, under the seal of the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts in this state of the existence and due incorporation of such incorporation: Provided, That the value of such real and personal estate shall not exceed the sum of $2,000.00, and that they and their successors shall have authority and power to give, grant, sell, lease, demise, and dispose of said real and personal estate, or part thereof at their will and pleasure, and the proceeds, rents, and incomes shall be devoted exclusively to the charitable and benevolent purposes of the Independent Order of Foresters.

History: 1891, Act 136, Eff. Oct. 2, 1891;—CL 1897, 8063;—CL 1915, 10537;—CL 1929, 10742;—CL 1948, 457.536;—Am. 1982, Act 91, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.537 Erection of building; capital stock, creation, shares.

Sec. 7. Any corporation formed in pursuance of this act may erect and own such suitable edifice, building or hall as to such corporation shall seem proper, with convenient rooms for the meetings of the courts of the Independent Order of Foresters, and for that purpose may create a capital stock of not more than 10,000 dollars to be divided into shares of not more than 10 dollars each.

History: 1891, Act 136, Eff. Oct. 2, 1891;—CL 1897, 8064;—CL 1915, 10538;—CL 1929, 10743;—CL 1948, 457.537.

457.538 Governing law; amendment of act.

Sec. 8. All corporations formed under this act shall be [subject] subjected to the provisions of chapter 130 of the Compiled Laws of this state, so far as the same may be applicable to corporations formed under this act, and the legislature may alter and amend this act at any time.

History: 1891, Act 136, Eff. Oct. 2, 1891;—CL 1897, 8065;—CL 1915, 10539;—CL 1929, 10744;—CL 1948, 457.538.

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ANCIENT ORDER OF FORESTERS
Act 116 of 1889

AN ACT to provide for the incorporation of subordinate courts of the Ancient Order of Foresters; and to impose certain duties upon the department of commerce.

History: 1889, Act 116, Eff. Oct. 2, 1889;—Am. 1982, Act 122, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.541 Subordinate court; manner of becoming body corporate and politic.

Sec. 1. That any subordinate court of the Ancient Order of Foresters duly organized within this state, under and pursuant to the provisions of the constitution and laws of the Ancient Order of Foresters' friendly society may become a body corporate and politic in the manner following:

First, At some regular court of such order a resolution shall be put to vote of the members thereof expressing the desire and determination of said court to be incorporated, and directing the officers thereof to perfect such incorporation, and if such resolution receives a 2/3 vote of the members present it shall be declared passed, otherwise lost;

Second, On such resolution being so passed, the worthy chief ranger and the recording secretary shall prepare articles of association under their hands and the seal of the court, setting forth the number of persons then in good standing in the court desiring incorporation, the name by which the court is known, the date of its organization, a copy of the resolution mentioned in the first subdivision of this act, the corporate name by which the court shall be known in the law, the object and purposes of the association, which shall in no way conflict or be inconsistent with the object and purposes of the Ancient Order of Foresters' friendly society as stated in its constitution, and the period for which it is incorporated, not exceeding 30 years;

Third, A copy of such articles of association shall be filed with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce;

Fourth, The worthy chief ranger and the recording secretary executing such articles of association or incorporation shall make and annex thereto, before filing, an affidavit stating that they are respectively members of and occupy the official positions above named in said court; that the resolution, a copy of which is set out in the articles of association, was duly passed at a regular meeting of said court, and received a 2/3 majority of all members present, and that all the statements in said articles of association are true, to the best to their and each of their knowledge and belief, and that said court is organized and acting under the constitution of the Ancient Order of Foresters' friendly society.

History: 1889, Act 116, Eff. Oct. 2, 1889;—How. 4577a;—CL 1897, 8066;—CL 1915, 10540;—CL 1929, 10745;—CL 1948, 457.541;—Am. 1982, Act 122, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.542 Subordinate court as body corporate and politic; powers; evidence of existence and incorporation.

Sec. 2. When all the foregoing requirements are complied with, the subordinate court shall be a body corporate and politic by the name expressed in such articles of association, and by that name shall be a person in law capable of suing and being sued, with full power and authority to transact the business of said association, and a copy of said articles of association and affidavit, duly certified by the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, under the seal of the department of commerce, shall be prima facie evidence in all the courts of this state of the existence and incorporation of said subordinate court.

History: 1889, Act 116, Eff. Oct. 2, 1889;—How. 4577b;—CL 1897, 8067;—CL 1915, 10541;—CL 1929, 10746;—CL 1948, 457.542;—Am. 1982, Act 122, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.543 Property; holding, disposition.

Sec. 3. Every corporation formed pursuant to the provisions of this act, may take and hold personal and real property, so far as may be necessary for the proper purposes of the organization, not exceeding 50,000 dollars in amount, and convey, dispose of and deal with the same as it may from time to time determine by a 2/3 vote of members present at any regular meeting and voting thereon at any annual meeting or at any special meeting called especially for that purpose.

History: 1889, Act 116, Eff. Oct. 2, 1889;—How. 4577c;—CL 1897, 8068;—CL 1915, 10542;—CL 1929, 10747;—CL 1948, 457.543.

457.544 Property and business; management and control.

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Sec. 4. The management, direction and control of the property and business of such corporation shall be vested in such of its officers and persons as the constitution and by-laws of such subordinate court may direct, but when no special rule exists, then as a 2/3 majority of the members present at any regular meeting and acting thereon shall from time to time determine.

History: 1889, Act 116, Eff. Oct. 2, 1889;—How. 4577d;—CL 1897, 8069;—CL 1915, 10543;—CL 1929, 10748;—CL 1948, 457.544.

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FORESTERS OF AMERICA
Act 1 of 1897

AN ACT to provide for the incorporation of grand and subordinate courts of the Foresters of America of the state of Michigan; and to impose certain duties upon the department of commerce.

History: 1897, Act 1, Imd. Eff. Jan. 21, 1897;—Am. 1982, Act 106, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.551 Foresters of America; incorporation.

Sec. 1. That the grand and subordinate courts of the Foresters of America of the state of Michigan may be incorporated in pursuance of the provisions of this act.

History: 1897, Act 1, Imd. Eff. Jan. 21, 1897;—CL 1897, 8070;—CL 1915, 10544;—CL 1929, 10749;—CL 1948, 457.551.

457.552 Grand court; incorporators; articles of association, execution, contents.

Sec. 2. Any 7 or more persons, resident of this state, being members of the grand court of the "Foresters of America," of the state of Michigan, desirous of being incorporated, may make and execute articles of association, under their hands and seals, which said articles of association shall be acknowledged before some officer of the state having authority to take acknowledgment of deeds, and shall set forth:

First, The names of persons associating in the first place and their place of residence.

Second, The corporate name by which such association shall be known in law, and the place of its business office.

Third, The object and purpose of such association shall be to promote the general welfare of the fraternity, known as the "Foresters of America," and the period for which it is incorporated not exceeding 30 years.

History: 1897, Act 1, Imd. Eff. Jan. 21, 1897;—CL 1897, 8071;—CL 1915, 10545;—CL 1929, 10750;—CL 1948, 457.552.

457.553 Grand court; filing copy of articles of association, charter, and constitution with department of commerce; signers of articles, associates, and successors as body politic and corporate; name; evidence of existence and incorporation.

Sec. 3. A copy of said articles of association, together with a copy of the charter and constitution of said grand court, shall be filed with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce and thereupon the persons who shall have signed such articles of association, their associates and successors, shall be a body politic and corporate, by the name expressed in such articles of association, and by that name they and their successors shall have succession and shall be persons in law capable of suing and being sued and they and their successors may have a common seal, which may be changed and altered at their pleasure and a copy of said articles of association, under seal of the department of commerce duly certified to according to law shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts of the state of the existence and due incorporation of such grand court.

History: 1897, Act 1, Imd. Eff. Jan. 21, 1897;—CL 1897, 8072;—CL 1915, 10546;—CL 1929, 10751;—CL 1948, 457.553;—Am. 1982, Act 106, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.554 Grand court; property, holding, disposition.

Sec. 4. Such grand court when incorporated pursuant to the provisions of this act may take and hold personal and real property, so far as may be necessary for the proper purposes of the organization, not exceeding 50,000 dollars in amount and convey, dispose of, and deal with the same as it may from time to time determine by a majority vote of members present and voting thereon.

History: 1897, Act 1, Imd. Eff. Jan. 21, 1897;—CL 1897, 8073;—CL 1915, 10547;—CL 1929, 10752;—CL 1948, 457.554.

457.555 Subordinate courts; chartering; existing courts; regulation.

Sec. 5. Such grand court when properly incorporated shall have power to institute and charter subordinate courts within this state and from time to time make, alter or rescind such constitution, general laws or by-laws as the grand court shall judge proper for the government of such subordinate courts, not repugnant to the laws of the state: Provided, That the existing subordinate courts heretofore duly chartered by the grand court shall be subject to the grand court under this act, as heretofore, in the same manner and to the same extent: Provided further, That in case the incorporators shall by death, resignation or for other cause under the rules of the grand court, become ineligible to act in such capacity, their successors may from time to time be elected by the grand court.

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History: 1897, Act 1, Imd. Eff. Jan. 21, 1897;—CL 1897, 8074;—CL 1915, 10548;—CL 1929, 10753;—CL 1948, 457.555.

457.556 Subordinate court; incorporation; making, executing, and filing articles of association with department of commerce; signers of articles, associates, and successors as body politic and corporate; powers; evidence of existence and incorporation.

Sec. 6. Any 7 or more persons, residents of this state, being members of a subordinate court of the "Foresters of America" having been duly chartered by the grand court, desirous to become incorporated, may make and execute articles of association, specifying as provided in section 2 of this act, and file a copy of the same with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, and thereupon the persons who shall have signed said articles of association, their associates and successors shall be a body politic and corporate, by the name expressed in such articles of association and by that name they and their successors, shall be persons in law capable to purchase, hold, enjoy, grant, sell, give, lease, and demise real and personal estate; of suing and being sued, and may have a common seal, and change and alter the same at pleasure; and a certified copy of the record of such articles of association, under the seal of the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts of this state of the existence and due incorporation of such subordinate courts. Provided: Said corporation shall be limited to the powers and provisions of section 4 of this act, regarding real and personal estate, and the proceeds thereof under the laws of the grand court and may elect from its members such officers, under such name and style as shall be in accordance with its constitution.

History: 1897, Act 1, Imd. Eff. Jan. 21, 1897;—CL 1897, 8075;—CL 1915, 10549;—CL 1929, 10754;—CL 1948, 457.556;—Am. 1982, Act 106, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.557 Governing law; amendment of act.

Sec. 7. All corporations formed under this act shall be subject to the provisions of chapter 150 of the Compiled Laws of this state, so far as the same shall be applicable to corporations formed under this act; and the legislature may alter or amend this act at any time.

History: 1897, Act 1, Imd. Eff. Jan. 21, 1897;—CL 1897, 8076;—CL 1915, 10550;—CL 1929, 10755;—CL 1948, 457.557.

Compiler's note: The reference in this section to chapter 150 evidently was intended to be to chapter 130 of the Compiled Laws of 1871. See §§ 450.504 to 450.525.

457.558 Business office; location; notice of change.

Sec. 8. The location of the business office of the grand court "Foresters of America" may be changed at any time upon filing a written notice of such change in the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce within 20 days from the time of the change of such location.

History: 1897, Act 1, Imd. Eff. Jan. 21, 1897;—CL 1897, 8077;—CL 1915, 10551;—CL 1929, 10756;—CL 1948, 457.558;—Am. 1982, Act 106, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.559 Erection of building; capital stock, creation, shares.

Sec. 9. Any corporation formed under this act may erect and own such suitable edifice, building and hall as to such corporation shall seem proper with convenient rooms for the meeting of the courts of the "Foresters of America" and for that purpose may create a capital stock of not more than 25,000 dollars to be divided into shares of not more than 25 dollars each.

History: 1897, Act 1, Imd. Eff. Jan. 21, 1897;—CL 1897, 8078;—CL 1915, 10552;—CL 1929, 10757;—CL 1948, 457.559.

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INDEPENDENT ORDER OF PHILANTHROPISTS
Act 26 of 1875

AN ACT to provide for the incorporation of the Independent Order of Philanthropists of the state of Michigan.

History: 1875, Act 26, Eff. Aug. 3, 1875.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.571 Independent Order of Philanthropists; incorporation.

Sec. 1. That grand and subordinate lodges of the Independent Order of Philanthropists of the state of Michigan, may be incorporated in pursuance of the provisions of this act.

History: 1875, Act 26, Eff. Aug. 3, 1875;—How. 4559;—CL 1897, 8083;—CL 1915, 10557;—CL 1929, 10758;—CL 1948, 457.571
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457.572 Grand lodge; incorporators; articles, execution, contents.

Sec. 2. That any 10 or more persons, with their associates and successors, shall constitute the grand lodge of the Independent Order of Philanthropists, of the state of Michigan; and they are hereby authorized to make and execute, under their hands and seals, articles of association, which said articles of association shall be acknowledged before some officer of this state having authority to make [take] acknowledgments of deeds, and shall set forth:

First, The names of persons so associating in the first instance, and their places of residence;

Second, The corporate name by which such association shall be known in the law, and the place of its business office;

Third, The object and purpose of such association, which shall be to promote the general welfare of the fraternity known as the Independent Order of Philanthropists, of the state of Michigan, and the period for which it is incorporated, not exceeding 30 years.

History: 1875, Act 26, Eff. Aug. 3, 1875;—How. 4560;—CL 1897, 8084;—CL 1915, 10558;—CL 1929, 10759;—CL 1948, 457.572
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457.573 Grand lodge; articles and constitution, filing; body corporate, powers.

Sec. 3. A copy of said articles of association, together with a copy of the constitution of said grand lodge, shall be filed with the secretary of state, and thereupon the persons who shall have signed such articles of association, and their associates and successors, shall be a body politic and corporate under the name of the grand lodge of the Independent Order of Philanthropists, of the state of Michigan, and by that name they and their associates shall have succession, and shall be persons in the law, capable to purchase, take, receive, hold, and enjoy, to them, and their successors, estates real and personal, of suing and being sued, and they and their successors may have a common seal, which may be changed and altered at their pleasure: Provided, That the value of such real and personal estate shall not exceed the sum of 50,000 dollars, and that they, and their successors, shall have authority and power to give, grant, sell, lease, demise, and dispose of said real estate, or part thereof, at their will and pleasure, and the proceeds, rents, and incomes, shall be devoted exclusively to the charitable and benevolent purposes of the Independent Order of Philanthropists, of the state of Michigan. Said corporation shall have full power and authority to make and establish rules, regulations and by-laws for regulating and governing all the affairs and business of said corporation, according to the laws of this state and the United States, and to designate, elect, or appoint, from its members, such officers, under such name and style as shall be in accordance with the customs of their order.

History: 1875, Act 26, Eff. Aug. 3, 1875;—How. 4561;—CL 1897, 8085;—CL 1915, 10559;—CL 1929, 10760;—CL 1948, 457.573
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457.574 Grand lodge; certified copy of articles as evidence.

Sec. 4. A copy of the record of said articles of association, under the seal of the state, duly certified according to law, shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts of this state of the existence and due incorporation of such corporation.

History: 1875, Act 26, Eff. Aug. 3, 1875;—How. 4562;—CL 1897, 8086;—CL 1915, 10560;—CL 1929, 10761;—CL 1948, 457.574
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457.575 Subordinate lodges; chartering, regulation.

Sec. 5. Such corporation, when duly formed, shall have power to institute and charter subordinate lodges within this state, and from time to time to make, ordain, constitute and establish such constitution, general

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laws and by-laws, ordinances, and regulations, as it shall judge proper for the regulation and government of such subordinate lodges, not repugnant to the laws of this state.

History: 1875, Act 26, Eff. Aug. 3, 1875;—How. 4563;—CL 1897, 8087;—CL 1915, 10561;—CL 1929, 10762;—CL 1948, 457.575
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457.576 Governing law; amendment of act.

Sec. 6. All corporations formed under this act shall be subject to the provisions of chapter 130 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, so far as the same may be applicable to corporations formed under this act; and the legislature may alter and amend this act at any time.

History: 1875, Act 26, Eff. Aug. 3, 1875;—How. 4564;—CL 1897, 8088;—CL 1915, 10562;—CL 1929, 10763;—CL 1948, 457.576
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Compiler's note: For the provisions of chapter 130 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, referred to in this section, see §§ 450.504 to 450.525.

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KNIGHTS OF THE GOLDEN EAGLE
Act 78 of 1891

AN ACT to provide that the grand and subordinate castles and the commanderies of the Knights of the Golden Eagle of the state of Michigan may be incorporated; and to impose certain duties upon the department of commerce.

History: 1891, Act 78, Eff. Oct. 2, 1891;—Am. 1982, Act 104, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.581 Knights of Golden Eagle; incorporation.

Sec. 1. That grand and subordinate castles and commanderies of the Knights of the Golden Eagle, of the state of Michigan, may be incorporated in pursuance of the provisions of this act.

History: 1891, Act 78, Eff. Oct. 2, 1891;—CL 1897, 8089;—CL 1915, 10563;—CL 1929, 10764;—CL 1948, 457.581.

457.582 Grand castle; incorporators; articles of association, execution, contents.

Sec. 2. Any 5 or more persons, residents of this state, being members of any grand castle of the Knights of the Golden Eagle of the state of Michigan, who desire to become incorporated, may make and execute articles of association, under their hands and seals, which said articles of association shall be acknowledged before some officer of the state having authority to take acknowledgment of deeds, and shall set forth:

First, The names of persons associating in the first instance, and their places of residence;

Second, The corporate name by which such association shall be known in law, and the place of its business;

Third, The object and purpose of such association, which shall be to promote the general welfare of the fraternity, known as the Knights of the Golden Eagle and the period for which it is incorporated, not exceeding 30 years.

History: 1891, Act 78, Eff. Oct. 2, 1891;—CL 1897, 8090;—CL 1915, 10564;—CL 1929, 10765;—CL 1948, 457.582.

457.583 Grand castle; filing copy of articles of association, charter, and constitution with department of commerce; signers of articles, associates, and successors as body public and corporate; power and authority.

Sec. 3. A copy of said articles of association, together with a copy of the charter and constitution of said grand castle, shall be filed with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, and thereupon the persons who shall have signed the articles of association, their associates and successors, shall be a body public and corporate, by the name expressed in such articles of association, and by that name, they and their successors shall have succession, shall be person in the law, capable to purchase, take, receive, hold, and enjoy to them and their successors estates real and personal, of suing and being sued, and they and their successors may have a common seal, which may be changed and altered at their pleasure: Provided, That the value of said real and personal estate shall not exceed the sum of $50,000.00, and that they and their successors shall have authority and power to give, grant, sell, lease, demise, and dispose of said real and personal estate, or any part thereof, at their will and pleasure, and the proceeds, rents, and incomes, shall be devoted exclusively to charitable and benevolent purposes of the Knights of the Golden Eagle. Said corporation shall have full power and authority to make and establish rules, regulations, and bylaws for regulating and governing all the affairs and business of said corporations, according to the laws of this state, and the United States, and to designate, elect, or appoint from its members such officers, under such name and style as shall be in accordance with the constitution of the grand castle.

History: 1891, Act 78, Eff. Oct. 2, 1891;—CL 1897, 8091;—CL 1915, 10565;—CL 1929, 10766;—CL 1948, 457.583;—Am. 1982, Act 104, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.584 Evidence of existence and incorporation.

Sec. 4. A copy of the record of such articles of association under the seal of the department of commerce, duly certified according to law, shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts of this state of the existence and due incorporation of such corporation.

History: 1891, Act 78, Eff. Oct. 2, 1891;—CL 1897, 8092;—CL 1915, 10566;—CL 1929, 10767;—CL 1948, 457.584;—Am. 1982, Act 104, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.585 Subordinate castles; chartering; existing castles; regulation.

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Sec. 5. Such corporation when duly formed, shall have power to institute and charter subordinate castles and branches within this state, and from time to time to make, ordain, constitute and establish such constitution, general laws and by-laws, ordinances and regulations as the grand castle shall deem proper for the regulation and government of such subordinate castles or branches not repugnant to the laws of this state: Provided, however, That the existing subordinate castle or branches heretofore duly charted [chartered] by the grand castle, shall be subject to the control of the grand castle, under this act, as heretofore, and in the same manner and to the same extent, as those that may be [hereafter] hereinafter instituted and chartered under this act: Provided further, That in case the corporators or persons, associating in the first instance, shall by death, resignation, or for other cause, under the rules of the grand castles become ineligible to act in such capacity, their successors may, from time to time be appointed by the grand castles.

History: 1891, Act 78, Eff. Oct. 2, 1891;—CL 1897, 8093;—CL 1915, 10567;—CL 1929, 10768;—CL 1948, 457.585.

457.586 Subordinate castle; incorporation; making, executing, and filing articles of association; signers of articles, associates, and successors as body politic and corporate; powers; evidence of existence and incorporation.

Sec. 6. Any 5 or more persons, residents of this state, being members of a subordinate castle of the Knights of the Golden Eagle, having been duly chartered by the grand castle, who desire to become incorporated, may make and execute articles of association, specifying as provided in section 2 of this act, and file a copy of the same with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce and thereupon the persons who shall have signed said articles of association, their associates and successors, shall be a body politic and corporate, by the name expressed in such articles of association and by that name they and their successors shall have succession, and shall be persons in the law capable to purchase, hold, enjoy, grant, sell, give, lease, and demise, real and personal estate; of suing and being sued, and may have a common seal and change and alter the same at pleasure; and a certified copy of the record of such articles of association under the seal of the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts of this state of the existence and due incorporation: Provided, Said corporation shall be limited to the powers and provisions of section 3 of this act, regarding real and personal estate, and the proceeds thereof, under the rules and regulations of the grand castle, and may elect or appoint from among its members such officers under such names and style as shall be in accordance with its constitution.

History: 1891, Act 78, Eff. Oct. 2, 1891;—CL 1897, 8094;—CL 1915, 10568;—CL 1929, 10769;—CL 1948, 457.586;—Am. 1982, Act 104, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.587 Erection of building; capital stock, creation, shares; cemetery.

Sec. 7. Any corporation formed in pursuance of this act may erect and own such suitable edifice, buildings or hall, as to such corporation shall seem proper, with convenient rooms for the meetings of the fraternity of the Knights of the Golden Eagle, and for that purpose may create a capital stock of not more than 50,000 dollars to be divided into shares of not more than 25 dollars each; and any such corporation may take, purchase, hold and own such suitable lot or parcel of ground as may be convenient for the purpose of a cemetery, and may make all lawful rules and regulations for the disposition of lots, and the burial of the dead therein as to such corporation may seem proper.

History: 1891, Act 78, Eff. Oct. 2, 1891;—CL 1897, 8095;—CL 1915, 10569;—CL 1929, 10770;—CL 1948, 457.587.

457.588 Commanderies; incorporation.

Sec. 8. Any grand commanderies of the Knights of the Golden Eagle of the state of Michigan, and subordinate commanders thereof, having been duly chartered, may be incorporated in like manner as grand and subordinate castles of the Knights of the Golden Eagle and enjoy the same powers and privileges and benefits under the provisions of this act.

History: 1891, Act 78, Eff. Oct. 2, 1891;—CL 1897, 8096;—CL 1915, 10570;—CL 1929, 10771;—CL 1948, 457.588.

457.589 Governing law; amendment of act.

Sec. 9. All corporations formed under this act shall be subject to the provisions of chapter 73 of the Compiled Laws of this state, so far as the same may be applicable to corporations formed under this act; and the legislature may alter or amend this act at any time.

History: 1891, Act 78, Eff. Oct. 2, 1891;—CL 1897, 8097;—CL 1915, 10571;—CL 1929, 10772;—CL 1948, 457.589.

Compiler's note: For provisions of chapter 73 of the Compiled Laws of 1857, referred to in this section, see §§ 450.504 and 450.525.

457.590 Business offices; location; notice of change.

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Sec. 10. The location of the business offices of the grand castles and commanderies of the Knights of the Golden Eagle or either of them may be changed at any time, upon filing a written notice of such change in the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, within 20 days from the time of the change of such location.

History: 1891, Act 78, Eff. Oct. 2, 1891;—CL 1897, 8098;—CL 1915, 10572;—CL 1929, 10773;—CL 1948, 457.590;—Am. 1982, Act 104, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

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LEGION OF THE CROSS
Act 106 of 1891

AN ACT to provide for the incorporation of the supreme temple, grand temples and primary societies of the Legion of the Cross, and to define their objects and prescribe their powers.

History: 1891, Act 106, Eff. Oct. 2, 1891.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.601 Legion of Cross; incorporation.

Sec. 1. That the supreme temple, grand temples and primary societies of the Legion of the Cross may be incorporated in pursuance of the provisions of this act.

History: 1891, Act 106, Eff. Oct. 2, 1891;—CL 1897, 8099;—CL 1915, 10573;—CL 1929, 10774;—CL 1948, 457.601.

457.602 Supreme temple; incorporators; articles of association, execution, contents.

Sec. 2. Any 10 or more members of the Legion of the Cross, residing in this state, and who are officers or representatives in the supreme temple of said order, desiring to become incorporated, may make and execute under their hands and seals, and acknowledge before some officer authorized by law to take acknowledgments to deeds, articles of association, which shall set forth:

First, The names, and official position in the supreme temple, of the persons so associating, and their respective places of residence;

Second, The corporate name of the association, which shall be the Supreme Temple of the Legion of the Cross, and the place where its business office is located; and

Third, The object and purpose of such association, which shall be to manage, control, govern, organize, institute and charter grand temples and primary societies of the order, for social, moral and benevolent purposes; and the period of incorporation, which shall not exceed 30 years.

History: 1891, Act 106, Eff. Oct. 2, 1891;—CL 1897, 8100;—CL 1915, 10574;—CL 1929, 10775;—CL 1948, 457.602.

457.603 Grand temple; incorporators; articles, execution, contents.

Sec. 3. Any 10 or more members of said order, residing in this state, who are officers or representatives in any grand temple of said order, desiring to become incorporated, shall make, execute and acknowledge, in the manner and form prescribed in section 2 of this act, articles of association which shall set forth:

First, The names and official positions in the grand temple, of the persons so associating, and their places of residence;

Second, The corporate name of the association, which shall be such as has been granted by the supreme temple; and the place where its business office is located; and

Third, The object and purpose of such association, which shall be to manage, control, govern, organize, institute and charter primary societies of said order within its territorial jurisdiction, in accordance with the constitution and laws of the order, for social, moral and benevolent purposes; and the period of the corporation, which shall not exceed 30 years.

History: 1891, Act 106, Eff. Oct. 2, 1891;—CL 1897, 8101;—CL 1915, 10575;—CL 1929, 10776;—CL 1948, 457.603.

457.604 Primary society; incorporators; articles, execution, contents.

Sec. 4. Any 10 or more members of any primary society of said order, residing in this state, desiring to be incorporated, shall make, execute and acknowledge, in manner and form prescribed in section 2 of this act, articles of association, which shall set forth;

First, The names of the persons associating in the first instance, and their places of residence;

Second, The corporate name of the association which shall be such as shall have been designated in its charter; and the place where its business office is located; and

Third, The objects and purpose of the association, which shall be for social, moral and benevolent purposes; and the period of its incorporation, which shall not exceed 30 years.

History: 1891, Act 106, Eff. Oct. 2, 1891;—CL 1897, 8102;—CL 1915, 10576;—CL 1929, 10777;—CL 1948, 457.604.

457.605 Articles; filing, recording; body corporate, powers; certified copy of articles as evidence.

Sec. 5. The articles of any such association shall be filed and recorded in the office of the secretary of state, and a copy of the record thereof duly certified by such secretary, together with the certificate, shall be filed and recorded in the office of the clerk of the county where the business office of the association is located,

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and thereupon the persons so associating therein, their associates and successors, shall be a body corporate and politic, by the name expressed in such articles, and by that name they and their associates and successors shall have succession and shall be capable of suing and being sued, and shall have a common seal to be altered at pleasure, in such manner as the constitution or laws of the order shall prescribe. Such corporation may take, purchase, receive, hold and enjoy real, personal and mixed property, not exceeding in amount 150,000 dollars; and may give, grant, mortgage, sell, lease, devise and dispose of all or any part of such property at pleasure, and the rents, profits and proceeds shall be devoted exclusively to the benevolent purposes of the said order. A copy of such articles of association and certificate, as recorded by the county clerk, duly certified by such clerk, shall be prima facie evidence in all courts and tribunals, of the due incorporation of such association.

History: 1891, Act 106, Eff. Oct. 2, 1891;—CL 1897, 8103;—CL 1915, 10577;—CL 1929, 10778;—CL 1948, 457.605.

457.606 Supreme temple; powers.

Sec. 6. The supreme temple shall have full power to make, ordain, establish, enact, modify, revise, amend and repeal a constitution, laws, by-laws, rules and regulations for the government of the supreme temple, of all grand temples and primary societies of the order, and the governmental departments of such temples, not repugnant to the constitution and laws of the United States, and of this state; and to designate, elect or appoint officers of the supreme temple, of grand temples and primary societies under such name and styles as shall be prescribed in the constitution of the order, and to designate the mode and time of electing or appointing such officers, and for their suspension or removal, and for the mode of accepting, organizing, instituting and chartering grand temples and primary societies of the order, and suspending and revoking any charter so granted. It shall have power to create and organize for itself, its grand temples and primary societies, legislative, executive and judicial departments of government, and to prescribe the powers and duties of each, and to create, manage and disburse, and provide for the creation, management and disbursement by grand temples and primary societies of mutual benefit or relief funds, to be expended in case of the death, sickness, distress, total disability, or arrival at the age of expectancy of life, of members, under such laws, rules and regulations as the supreme legislative department shall adopt, and as shall be ratified by a 2/3 majority of the beneficiary members of the whole order.

History: 1891, Act 106, Eff. Oct. 2, 1891;—CL 1897, 8104;—CL 1915, 10578;—CL 1929, 10779;—CL 1948, 457.606.

457.607 Supreme temple; only one to be incorporated; approval of articles of subordinate bodies.

Sec. 7. No more than 1 association shall be incorporated under this act as the supreme temple of the Legion of the Cross, and the articles of association of any grand temple or primary society of said order shall not be accepted for record in the office of the secretary of state, unless the same shall have indorsed thereon the approval of the supreme temple of said order, by the supreme presiding officer and supreme secretary, attested by the seal of the supreme temple.

History: 1891, Act 106, Eff. Oct. 2, 1891;—CL 1897, 8105;—CL 1915, 10579;—CL 1929, 10780;—CL 1948, 457.607.

457.608 Erection of building; library; governing law.

Sec. 8. Any corporation formed under this act may erect and use a suitable edifice of its own design, for its own use, and may maintain a library. Such corporation shall be subject to the provisions of chapter 130 of Howell's annotated statutes of this state, so far as the same may be applicable.

History: 1891, Act 106, Eff. Oct. 2, 1891;—CL 1897, 8106;—CL 1915, 10580;—CL 1929, 10781;—CL 1948, 457.608.

Compiler's note: The reference in this section to chapter 130 of Howell's Annotated Statutes evidently was intended to be to chapter 130 of the Compiled Laws of 1871. See §§ 450.504 to 450.525.

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KNIGHTS OF THE ANCIENT ESSENIC ORDER
Act 39 of 1893

AN ACT to provide for the incorporation of supreme and subordinate senates of the Knights of the Ancient Essenic Order; and to impose certain duties upon the department of commerce.

History: 1893, Act 39, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1893;—Am. 1982, Act 107, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.621 Knights of Essenic Order; incorporation.

Sec. 1. That the supreme and subordinate senates of the Knights of the Ancient Essenic Order of the state of Michigan may be incorporated in pursuance with the provisions of this act.

History: 1893, Act 39, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1893;—CL 1897, 8107;—CL 1915, 10581;—CL 1929, 10782;—CL 1948, 457.621.

457.622 Supreme senate; incorporators; articles of association, execution, contents.

Sec. 2. Any 9 or more persons, residents of this state, being members of any supreme senate of the Knights of the Ancient Essenic Order of the state of Michigan, and desiring to become incorporated may make and execute articles of association under their hands and seals which said articles of association shall be acknowledged before some officer of the state, having authority to take acknowledgment of deeds and shall set forth:

First, The names of the persons associating in the first instance and their places of residence;

Second, The corporate name by which such association shall be known in the law, and the place of its business office;

Third, The object and purpose of such association shall be to promote the social advancement of its members in accordance with the laws of this state, the general welfare of the fraternity known as the Knights of the Ancient Essenic Order; and the period, for which it is incorporated, not exceeding 30 years.

History: 1893, Act 39, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1893;—CL 1897, 8108;—CL 1915, 10582;—CL 1929, 10783;—CL 1948, 457.622.

457.623 Supreme senate; filing articles of association, charter, and constitution with department of commerce; signers of articles, associates, and successors as body politic and corporate; powers and authority.

Sec. 3. A copy of said articles of association, together with a copy of the charter and constitution of said supreme senate, shall be filed with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, and thereupon the persons who shall have signed such articles of association, their associates and successors, shall be a body politic and corporate, by the name expressed in the articles of association, and by that name they and their successors shall have succession, and shall be persons in the law, capable to purchase, take, receive, hold, and enjoy to them and their successors, estates real and personal, of suing and being sued, and they and their successors may have a common seal which may be changed and altered at their pleasure: Provided, That the value of such real and personal estate shall not exceed the sum of $50,000.00, and that they and their successors shall have authority and power to give, grant, sell, lease, demise, and dispose of said real and personal estate or any part thereof, at their will and pleasure and the proceeds, rents, and income shall be devoted exclusively to beneficent and benevolent purposes of the Knights of the Ancient Essenic Order. Said corporation shall have full power and authority to make and establish rules, regulations, and by-laws, for regulating and governing all the affairs and business of said corporation, according to the laws of this state and the United States and to designate, elect, or appoint from its members such officers under such name and style as shall be in accordance with the constitution of the supreme senate.

History: 1893, Act 39, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1893;—CL 1897, 8109;—CL 1915, 10583;—CL 1929, 10784;—CL 1948, 457.623;—Am. 1982, Act 107, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.624 Evidence of existence and incorporation.

Sec. 4. A copy of the record of such articles of association, under the seal of the department of commerce, duly certified according to law, shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts of this state of the existence and due incorporation of such corporation.

History: 1893, Act 39, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1893;—CL 1897, 8110;—CL 1915, 10584;—CL 1929, 10785;—CL 1948, 457.624;—Am. 1982, Act 107, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.625 Subordinate senates; chartering; existing senates; regulation.

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Sec. 5. Such corporation when duly formed, shall have power to institute and charter subordinate senates within the state and from time to time to make, ordain, constitute, and establish such constitution, laws and by-laws, ordinances and regulations, as the supreme senate shall judge proper for the regulation and government of such subordinate senates, not repugnant to the laws of this state: Provided, That the existing subordinate senates, heretofore duly chartered by the supreme senate, shall be subject to the control of the supreme senate, under this act as heretofore, and in the same manner and to the same extent, as those that may be hereafter instituted and chartered under this act: Provided, further, That in case the corporators or persons, associating in the first instance, shall by death, resignation or for other cause, under the rules of the supreme senate, become ineligible to act in such capacity their successors may, from time to time, be appointed by the supreme senate.

History: 1893, Act 39, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1893;—CL 1897, 8111;—CL 1915, 10585;—CL 1929, 10786;—CL 1948, 457.625.

457.626 Subordinate lodge; incorporation; making, executing, and filing articles of association; signers of articles, associates, and successors as body politic and corporate; powers.

Sec. 6. Any 9 or more persons, residents of this state, being members of a subordinate lodge of the Knights of the Ancient Essenic Order, having been duly chartered by the supreme senate, being desirous to become incorporated, may make and execute articles of association specifying as in section 2, of this act, and file a copy of the same with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, and thereupon the persons, who shall have signed said articles of association, their associates and successors shall be a body politic and corporate, by the name expressed in such articles of association, and by that name they and their successors, shall have succession, and shall be persons in law capable to purchase, hold, enjoy, grant, sell, give, lease, and demise real and personal estate; of suing and being sued, and may have a common seal and change and alter the same at pleasure; and a certified copy of the record of such articles of association, under the seal of the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts of this state of the existence and due incorporation of such corporation: Provided, Said corporation shall be limited to the powers and provisions of section 3 of this act, regarding real and personal estate, and the proceeds thereof, under the rules and regulations of the supreme senate and may elect or appoint from among its members such officers, under such name and style, as shall be in accordance with the constitution.

History: 1893, Act 39, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1893;—CL 1897, 8112;—CL 1915, 10586;—CL 1929, 10787;—CL 1948, 457.626;—Am. 1982, Act 107, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.627 Erection of building; capital stock, creation, shares; cemetery.

Sec. 7. Any corporation formed in pursuance of this act, may erect and own a suitable edifice, buildings or hall, as to such corporation shall seem proper, with convenient rooms for the meetings of the fraternity of the Knights of the Ancient Essenic Order; and for that purpose may create a capital stock of not more than 50,000 dollars, to be divided into shares of not more than 25 dollars each; and any such corporation may take, purchase, hold and own such suitable lot or parcel of ground as may be convenient for the purpose of a cemetery, and may make all lawful rules and regulations for the disposition of the lots and the burial of the dead therein, as to such corporation may seem proper.

History: 1893, Act 39, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1893;—CL 1897, 8113;—CL 1915, 10587;—CL 1929, 10788;—CL 1948, 457.627.

457.628 Encampments; incorporation, powers.

Sec. 8. Any grand encampment of the Knights of the Ancient Essenic Order of the state of Michigan, and any subordinate encampment thereof, having been duly chartered, may be incorporated in like manner as grand and subordinate senate of the Knights of the Ancient Essenic Order, and enjoy the same powers and privileges and benefits under the provisions of this act.

History: 1893, Act 39, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1893;—CL 1897, 8114;—CL 1915, 10588;—CL 1929, 10789;—CL 1948, 457.628.

457.629 Governing law; amendment of act.

Sec. 9. All corporations formed under this act shall be subject to the provisions of chapter 73 of the Compiled Laws of 1871 of the state, so far as the same may be applicable to corporations formed under this act, and the legislature may alter or amend this act at any time.

History: 1893, Act 39, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1893;—CL 1897, 8115;—CL 1915, 10589;—CL 1929, 10790;—CL 1948, 457.629.

Compiler's note: The reference in this section to chapter 73 of the Compiled Laws of 1871 evidently was intended to be to chapter 73 of the Compiled Laws of 1857 or to chapter 130 of the Compiled Laws of 1871. See §§ 450.504 to 450.525.

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UNITED FRIENDS OF MICHIGAN
Act 49 of 1893

AN ACT to provide for the incorporation of the supreme commandery and subordinate commanderies of the United Friends of Michigan; and to impose certain duties on the department of commerce.

History: 1893, Act 49, Eff. Aug. 28, 1893;—Am. 1982, Act 109, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.631 Supreme commandery or chartered subordinate commandery; manner of incorporation.

Sec. 1. That the supreme commandery of United Friends of Michigan and any subordinate commandery duly chartered by such supreme commandery, pursuant to the provisions of the constitution and laws of said supreme commandery, may become a body corporate and politic in the manner following:

First, At some meeting of the executive committee which shall be composed of 6 members, citizens of the United States, of said supreme commandery, held pursuant to the constitution and laws thereof, a resolution shall be adopted by a vote of 2/3 of said executive committee, expressing the desire and determination of such supreme commandery to become incorporated;

Second, On such resolution being passed, the executive committee shall prepare articles of association, under their hands and the seal of such supreme commandery, setting forth the number, name and location of all subordinate commanderies then in good standing, under the jurisdiction of such supreme commandery, the name by which the supreme commandery is known, the date of its organization, a copy of the resolution mentioned in the first subdivision of this act, the corporate name by which the supreme commandery shall be known in law; the object and purpose of the association is fraternal insurance, to be conducted under the laws controlling life insurance in this state, in which no insurance shall hereafter be taken on a person under 18 or over 50 years of age, and the period for which it is incorporated, not exceeding 30 years, to which shall be appended a copy of the constitution and laws of the supreme commandery;

Third, The supreme secretary shall make and annex to such articles of association, an affidavit stating the official position occupied in the supreme commandery by the several members of the executive committee, that the resolution, a copy of which is set out in the articles of association, was duly passed at a meeting of the executive committee, held pursuant to the constitution and that the same was passed by a 2/3 vote of all of said executive committee, that all the statements in said articles of association are true to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, and that the constitution and laws of such supreme commandery, a copy of which is appended to said articles of association, has been adopted by such supreme commandery;

Fourth, A copy of such articles of association, with all the papers mentioned in the second subdivision of this act, and of the affidavit of said supreme secretary, by the supreme secretary duly attested, shall be filed with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce.

History: 1893, Act 49, Eff. Aug. 28, 1893;—CL 1897, 8116;—CL 1915, 10591;—CL 1929, 10791;—CL 1948, 457.631;—Am. 1982, Act 109, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.632 Supreme commandery as body corporate and politic; power and authority; evidence of existence and incorporation.

Sec. 2. When all the foregoing requirements are complied with, the supreme commandery of United Friends of Michigan, shall be a body corporate and politic, by name expressed in such articles of association and by that name shall be in law capable of suing and being sued, in all the courts of this state, with full power and authority to transact the business of said association, pursuant to the constitution and laws thereof, and said articles of association or a copy thereof duly attested by the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, under the seal thereof, shall be prima facie evidence in all the courts of this state, of the existence and incorporation of said supreme commandery of United Friends of Michigan.

History: 1893, Act 49, Eff. Aug. 28, 1893;—CL 1897, 8117;—CL 1915, 10591;—CL 1929, 10792;—CL 1948, 457.632;—Am. 1982, Act 109, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.633 Supreme commandery; amendment of constitution and laws.

Sec. 3. The supreme commandery of United Friends of Michigan is hereby authorized to amend its constitution and laws at any regular meeting of said supreme commandery or at a special meeting called for that purpose, after its incorporation, but such amendments shall not be inconsistent with the objects and purposes of such association as stated in its articles of association, and such constitution and laws shall be in force from and after the filing with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce of an

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attested copy thereof, under the hand of the supreme secretary and the seal of said supreme commandery.

History: 1893, Act 49, Eff. Aug. 28, 1893;—CL 1897, 8118;—CL 1915, 10592;—CL 1929, 10793;—CL 1948, 457.633;—Am. 1982, Act 109, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.634 Subordinate commanderies; chartering; existing commanderies; regulation.

Sec. 4. Such association, when duly formed, shall have power to institute and charter subordinate commanderies of said order within this state, and from time to time to make, ordain, constitute such general laws, by-laws and regulations for the government of such subordinate commanderies not repugnant to law or to the constitution or regulations of the supreme commandery as to them shall seem proper and necessary; and in the case of the violation or non-compliance with such general laws, by-laws and regulations, to revoke and annul the charter granted to such subordinate commandery: Provided, That the existing subordinate commanderies heretofore duly instituted and chartered by the supreme commandery shall be subject to the control of said supreme commandery under this act as heretofore, and in the same manner and to the same extent as those that may be hereafter instituted and chartered under this act.

History: 1893, Act 49, Eff. Aug. 28, 1893;—CL 1897, 8119;—CL 1915, 10593;—CL 1929, 10794;—CL 1948, 457.634.

457.635 Chartered subordinate commandery; incorporation; evidence of existence and incorporation.

Sec. 5. Any subordinate commandery now chartered, or which may hereafter be chartered, by the supreme commandery of the United Friends of Michigan, may become incorporated and a body corporate and politic, by passing, by a 2/3 vote of all the members present, at any regular meeting of such subordinate commandery, a like resolution, as provided in section 1 of this act, executing similar articles of association, under the hands of its commander, secretary and trustee, and the seal of the commandery, and appending thereto the affidavit of its secretary, setting forth the official character of the several officers, that said resolution was passed at a regular meeting, and received the affirmative vote of 2/3 of all the members present and filing the same with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce and causing such articles of association and said affidavit to be recorded in a book to be kept for that purpose, and a copy of said articles of association duly certified by the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, shall be prima facie evidence in all the courts of this state, of the existence and incorporation of such subordinate commandery.

History: 1893, Act 49, Eff. Aug. 28, 1893;—CL 1897, 8120;—CL 1915, 10594;—CL 1929, 10795;—CL 1948, 457.635;—Am. 1982, Act 109, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.636 Property; holding, disposition; control of business.

Sec. 6. Every corporation formed pursuant to this act may take and hold personal and real property, so far as the same shall be necessary for the proper purposes of the organization, not exceeding 10,000 dollars in value, and may convey, dispose of, mortgage, and deal with the same, as may be determined by the constitution, laws and by-laws of such supreme commandery, or of such subordinate commandery, as the case may be. The management, direction and control of the property and business of such corporations shall be vested in such officers as the constitution and laws of the supreme commandery may direct.

History: 1893, Act 49, Eff. Aug. 28, 1893;—CL 1897, 8121;—CL 1915, 10595;—CL 1929, 10796;—CL 1948, 457.636.

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ORDER OF HERMANN'S SONS
Act 78 of 1893

AN ACT to provide for the incorporation of the state grand lodge and subordinate lodges of the Order of Hermann's Sons in the state of Michigan; and to impose certain duties upon the department of commerce.

History: 1893, Act 78, Imd. Eff. May 12, 1893;—Am. 1982, Act 116, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.641 State grand lodge; manner of becoming body corporate and politic.

Sec. 1. That the state grand lodge of the order of Hermann's Sons in the state of Michigan that now is or may hereafter be duly instituted or organized within this state under and pursuant to the provisions of the constitution and laws of the national grand lodge of said order may become a body corporate and politic in the manner following:

First, At some regular session of such grand lodge held under and pursuant to the constitution and laws thereof, a resolution shall be put to vote of the members thereof expressing the desire and determination of said grand lodge to be incorporated and directing the proper officers thereof to perfect such incorporation pursuant to this act; and if such resolution receive a majority vote of the members present it shall be declared passed, otherwise lost;

Second, On such resolution being passed the grand president and grand secretary of said grand lodge shall prepare articles of association under their hands and the seal of the grand lodge, setting forth the number of persons then under the jurisdiction of such grand lodge, the name of the grand lodge desiring incorporation; the date of its organization, a copy from the records of said grand lodge of the resolution mentioned in subdivision first of this section, the corporate name of said grand lodge by which it shall be known in the law, the general objects and purposes of the order, and the period for which it is to be incorporated which shall not exceed 30 years;

Third, Such articles of association shall be acknowledged by the officers executing the same and shall have annexed thereto the affidavit of the grand president and the grand secretary that they are members of and occupying respectively the official positions named in such grand lodge; that the resolution, a copy of which is contained in said articles of association, was duly passed at a regular meeting of said grand lodge, and received a majority vote of the members present; that the statements in said articles of association are true to the best of their knowledge and belief; and that said grand lodge was duly instituted and is acting pursuant to the constitution and laws thereof and of the national grand lodge of said order;

Fourth, Said articles of association with such affidavit annexed thereto, shall be filed with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, and thereupon said grand lodge shall be a body corporate and politic under the name expressed in said articles of association, and by that name shall be a person in the law, capable of suing and being sued, and of transacting all the business of said order necessary, proper, or incidental to the carrying out of its objects and purposes pursuant to its constitution and laws and the constitution and laws of the national grand lodge of said order, not inconsistent herewith nor with the constitution and laws of the United States or of this state. The objects and purposes of associations organized hereunder shall be the development of social and fraternal feeling among members thereof and to provide for fraternal and mutual life insurance and fraternal benefits and assistance for the members thereof and their families.

History: 1893, Act 78, Imd. Eff. May 12, 1893;—CL 1897, 8122;—CL 1915, 10596;—CL 1929, 10797;—CL 1948, 457.641;—Am. 1982, Act 116, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.642 Hermann's Sons, grand lodge; powers.

Sec. 2. Such grand lodge, so incorporated, shall have power to create, hold and disburse beneficiary, relief, general or other funds for the benefit of sick or disabled members or of the families and heirs of deceased members of subordinate lodges of said order, and to levy assessments or dues upon the members of said order for that purpose under the constitution and laws of said order or of the national grand lodge of said order. But such corporation shall be considered as engaged in the business of life insurance and shall be subject to the provisions of the statutes of this state relating to mutual benefit companies, associations or corporations.

History: 1893, Act 78, Imd. Eff. May 12, 1893;—CL 1897, 8123;—CL 1915, 10597;—CL 1929, 10798;—CL 1948, 457.642.

457.643 Subordinate lodges; incorporation.

Sec. 3. Any subordinate lodges of the said order of Sons of Hermann that now are or may hereafter be duly instituted or organized within this state under and pursuant to the provisions of the constitution and laws of

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the said order, may become incorporated under this act in the manner following:

First, At some regular meeting of such subordinate lodge, a resolution shall be put to vote of the members thereof, expressing the desire and determination of said lodge to be incorporated, and directing the proper officers thereof to perfect such incorporation pursuant to this act; and if such resolution receive a majority vote of the members present it shall be declared passed, otherwise lost;

Second, On such resolution being passed the president and secretary of such subordinate lodge shall prepare articles of association under their hands, and the seal of such lodge, setting forth the then number of members thereof in good standing, the name of such lodge desiring incorporation, the date of its organization or institution, a true copy from its records of the resolution mentioned in subdivision first of this section, the corporate name of such lodge by which it shall be known in the law, the place where the said lodge is located and the period for which it is to be incorporated, which shall not exceed 30 years;

Third, Such articles of association shall be acknowledged by the officers executing the same and shall have annexed thereto the affidavit of the president and secretary of the said lodge that they are members thereof and occupying respectively the official positions named therein; that the resolution a copy of which is contained in said articles of association was duly passed at a regular meeting of said lodge and received a majority vote of the members present; that the statements in said articles of association are true to the best of their knowledge and belief, and that said lodge was duly instituted and is acting under the constitution and rules of said order;

Fourth, Said articles of association with said affidavit shall be executed and filed with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce. And thereupon said lodge shall be and become a body corporate and politic under the name expressed in such articles of association and by that name shall be a person in the law, capable of suing and being sued and of transacting all the business of said order necessary, proper, or incidental to the carrying out of the objects and purposes of said order pursuant to its constitution and laws not inconsistent with the constitution and laws of the United States or of this state.

History: 1893, Act 78, Imd. Eff. May 12, 1893;—CL 1897, 8124;—CL 1915, 10598;—CL 1929, 10799;—CL 1948, 457.643;—Am. 1982, Act 116, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.644 Property; holding, disposition.

Sec. 4. Corporations formed pursuant to this act may take and hold personal and real property so far as may be necessary for the proper purposes of said order; and may manage, direct, control, encumber, dispose of and deal with the same in such manner as may be by the constitution and laws of said order determined from time to time.

History: 1893, Act 78, Imd. Eff. May 12, 1893;—CL 1897, 8125;—CL 1915, 10599;—CL 1929, 10800;—CL 1948, 457.644.

457.645 Evidence of contents of articles and of existence and incorporation.

Sec. 5. A copy of the articles of association of any corporation organized under this act and of the affidavit annexed thereto, certified by the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts of this state of the contents thereof and of the existence and due incorporation of such corporation.

History: 1893, Act 78, Imd. Eff. May 12, 1893;—CL 1897, 8126;—CL 1915, 10600;—CL 1929, 10801;—CL 1948, 457.645;—Am. 1982, Act 116, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.646 Governing law; amendment of act.

Sec. 6. All corporations formed under this act shall be subject to the general provisions relating to corporations in this state contained in chapter 191 of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan, so far as the same may be applicable to such corporations and not inconsistent with the provisions of this act, and the legislature may alter or amend this act at any time.

History: 1893, Act 78, Imd. Eff. May 12, 1893;—CL 1897, 8127;—CL 1915, 10601;—CL 1929, 10802;—CL 1948, 457.646.

Compiler's note: For provisions of chapter 191 of Howell's annotated statutes, referred to in this section, see §§ 450.504 to 450.525 and 450.631 et seq.

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RATHBONE SISTERS
Act 208 of 1895

AN ACT to provide for the incorporation of the grand temple and subordinate temples of the Rathbone Sisters of the state of Michigan; and to impose certain duties upon the department of commerce.

History: 1895, Act 208, Imd. Eff. May 24, 1895;—Am. 1982, Act 115, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.651 Rathbone Sisters; incorporation of temples.

Sec. 1. That the grand temple and subordinate temples of Rathbone Sisters of the state of Michigan may be incorporated in pursuance of the provisions of this act.

History: 1895, Act 208, Imd. Eff. May 24, 1895;—CL 1897, 8010;—CL 1915, 10482;—CL 1929, 10803;—CL 1948, 457.651.

457.652 Grand temple; incorporators; articles of association, execution, contents.

Sec. 2. Any 10 or more persons residents of the state, being members of the grand temple Rathbone Sisters of the state of Michigan, desirous to become incorporated, may make and execute articles of association, under their hands and seals, which articles of association shall be acknowledged before some officer authorized by law to take acknowledgments of deeds, and shall set forth:

First, The names of the persons associating in the first instance and their places of residence;

Second, The corporate name by which such association shall be known in the law, and the place of its business office;

Third, The object and purpose of such association, which shall be to promote the general welfare of the association known as the grand temple Rathbone Sisters, and the period for which it is incorporated, not exceeding 30 years.

History: 1895, Act 208, Imd. Eff. May 24, 1895;—CL 1897, 8011;—CL 1915, 10483;—CL 1929, 10804;—CL 1948, 457.652.

457.653 Grand temple; filing copy of articles of association, charter, and constitution with department of commerce; signers of articles, associates, and successors as body politic and corporate; powers.

Sec. 3. A copy of said articles of association, together with a copy of the charter and constitution of said grand temple, shall be filed with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, and thereupon the persons who shall have signed such articles of association, their associates and successors, shall be a body politic and corporate by the name expressed in such articles of association, and by that name they and their successors shall have succession, and shall be persons in the law, capable to purchase, take, receive, hold, and enjoy, to them and their successors, estates, real and personal, of suing and being sued, and to have a common seal, which may be altered or changed at their pleasure; Provided, That the value of such real and personal estate shall not exceed the sum of $100,000.00, but such property, both real and personal, shall be subject to assessment and taxation for all purposes as other property is assessed and taxed, and that they and their successors shall have power to give, grant, sell, lease, demise, and dispose of said real and personal estate, or part thereof, at their will and pleasure, and the proceeds, rents, and incomes shall be devoted exclusively to the charitable and benevolent purposes of the grand temple Rathbone Sisters. Said corporation shall have full power to make and establish rules, regulations, and bylaws for regulating and governing all the affairs and business of said corporation not repugnant to the constitution and laws of this state or of the United States, and to designate, elect, or appoint from its members such officers, under such name and style as shall be in accordance with the constitution of the supreme temple of the world.

History: 1895, Act 208, Imd. Eff. May 24, 1895;—CL 1897, 8012;—CL 1915, 10484;—CL 1929, 10805;—CL 1948, 457.653;—Am. 1982, Act 115, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.654 Evidence of existence and incorporation.

Sec. 4. A copy of the record of such articles of association, under the seal of the department of commerce, duly certified according to law, shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts of this state of the existence and due incorporation of such corporation.

History: 1895, Act 208, Imd. Eff. May 24, 1895;—CL 1897, 8013;—CL 1915, 10485;—CL 1929, 10806;—CL 1948, 457.654;—Am. 1982, Act 115, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.655 Subordinate temples; chartering; existing temples; regulation.

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Sec. 5. Such corporation when duly formed shall have power to institute and charter subordinate temples of said order within this state, and from time to time ordain, constitute and establish such general laws and by-laws, ordinances and regulations for the government of such subordinate lodges, not repugnant to law or to the constitution or regulation of the supreme temple Rathbone Sisters, as to them shall seem proper and necessary; and in case of violation or non-compliance with such ordinances, by-laws and regulations, to revoke and annul the charter granted to such subordinate temple: Provided, That the existing subordinate temple heretofore duly chartered by the grand temple of Michigan or of the world, shall be subject to the control of the said grand temple under this act as heretofore, and in the same manner, and to the same extent as those that may hereafter be instituted and chartered under this act.

History: 1895, Act 208, Imd. Eff. May 24, 1895;—CL 1897, 8014;—CL 1915, 10486;—CL 1929, 10807;—CL 1948, 457.655.

457.656 Subordinate temple; incorporation; making, executing, and filing copy of articles with department of commerce; signers of articles, associates, and successors as body politic and corporate; powers; evidence of existence and incorporation.

Sec. 6. Any 9 or more persons, residents of this state, being members of any subordinate temple, having been duly chartered by the grand temple of this state or of the supreme temple of the world, desirous to become incorporated, may make and execute articles of association under their hands and seals, specifying as provided in article 2 of this act, and file a copy of such articles with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, and thereupon the persons who shall have signed said articles of association, their associates and successors shall be a body politic and corporate by the name expressed in such articles of association, and by that name they and their successors shall have succession, and shall be persons in the law, capable to purchase, hold, enjoy, grant, sell, give, lease, and demise real and personal estate, of suing and being sued, and may have a common seal, and change and alter the same at pleasure; and a certified copy of the record of such articles of association, under the seal of the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts in this state of the existence and due incorporation of such corporation: Provided, That the value of such real and personal estate shall not exceed the sum of $100,000.00, and that they and their successors shall have authority and power to give, grant, sell, lease, demise, and dispose of said real and personal estate, or part thereof, at their will and pleasure, and the proceeds, rents, and incomes shall be devoted exclusively to the charitable and benevolent purposes of the order of Rathbone Sisters.

History: 1895, Act 208, Imd. Eff. May 24, 1895;—CL 1897, 8015;—CL 1915, 10487;—CL 1929, 10808;—CL 1948, 457.656;—Am. 1982, Act 115, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.657 Erection of building; capital stock, creation, shares; cemetery.

Sec. 7. Any corporation formed in pursuance of this act may erect and own such suitable edifice, building, or hall, as to such corporation shall seem proper, with convenient rooms for the meetings of the temples of the order of Rathbone Sisters; and for that purpose may create a capital stock of not more than 100,000 dollars, to be divided into shares of not more than 10 dollars each; and any such corporation may take, purchase, hold and own such suitable lot or parcel of ground as may be convenient for the purpose of a cemetery, and may make all lawful rules and regulations for the disposition of lots, and the burial of the dead therein, as to such corporation may seem proper: Provided, This act shall not be construed to affect municipal regulations in regard to cemeteries.

History: 1895, Act 208, Imd. Eff. May 24, 1895;—CL 1897, 8016;—CL 1915, 10488;—CL 1929, 10809;—CL 1948, 457.657.

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MYSTIC ORDER OF THE NEW KAABA
Act 18 of 1895

AN ACT to provide that the supreme, grand and subordinate temples of the Mystic Order of the New Kaaba of the state of Michigan may be incorporated; and to impose certain duties upon the department of commerce.

History: 1895, Act 18, Imd. Eff. Mar. 14, 1895;—Am. 1982, Act 113, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.661 Mystic Order of New Kaaba; incorporation.

Sec. 1. That the supreme, grand and subordinate temples of the Mystic Order of the New Kaaba, of the state of Michigan, may be incorporated in pursuance of the provisions of this act.

History: 1895, Act 18, Imd. Eff. Mar. 14, 1895;—CL 1897, 8128;—CL 1915, 10602;—CL 1929, 10810;—CL 1948, 457.661.

457.662 Supreme temple; incorporators; articles, execution, contents.

Sec. 2. Any 5 or more persons, residents of this state, being members of the supreme temple of the Mystic Order of the New Kaaba who desire to be incorporated, may make and execute articles of association under their hands and seals which said articles of association shall be acknowledged before some officer of the state, having authority to take acknowledgment of deeds, and shall set forth therein.

First, The names of the persons associating in the first instance, and their places of residence;

Second, The corporate name by which such association shall be known in law, which shall be the supreme temple of the Mystic Order of the New Kaaba, and the place where its business office is located;

Third, The object and purpose of such association, which shall be to promote the general welfare of the order, known as the Mystic Order of the New Kaaba; and to manage, control, govern, organize, institute and charter the grand and subordinate temples of the order; and the period for which it is incorporated, not exceeding 30 years.

History: 1895, Act 18, Imd. Eff. Mar. 14, 1895;—CL 1897, 8129;—CL 1915, 10603;—CL 1929, 10811;—CL 1948, 457.662.

457.663 Grand temple; incorporators; articles, execution, contents.

Sec. 3. Any 5 or more members of said order residing in this state, who are members of the grand temple of said order, desiring to become incorporated, shall make, execute and acknowledge in the manner and form prescribed in section 2 of this act, articles of association which shall set forth:

First, The names of the persons associating in the first instance and their places of residence;

Second, The corporate name of the association, which shall be such as has been granted it by the supreme temple, and the place where its business office is located; and

Third, The object and purpose of such association, which shall be to promote the general welfare of the order, known as the Mystic Order of the New Kaaba; and to manage, control, govern, organize, institute and charter subordinate temples of said order within its territorial jurisdiction, in accordance with the constitution and laws of said order prescribed by the supreme temple; and the period of the incorporation, which shall not exceed 30 years.

History: 1895, Act 18, Imd. Eff. Mar. 14, 1895;—CL 1897, 8130;—CL 1915, 10604;—CL 1929, 10812;—CL 1948, 457.663.

457.664 Subordinate temple; incorporators; articles, execution, contents.

Sec. 4. Any 5 or more members of any subordinate temple of said order, residing in this state, desiring to be incorporated, shall make, execute and acknowledge, in manner and form as prescribed in section 2 of this act, articles of association, which shall set forth:

First, The names of the persons associating in the first instance, and their place of residence;

Second, The corporate name of the association, which shall be such as shall have been designated in its charter, and the place where its business office is located; and

Third, The object and purpose of the association, which shall be for social and moral purposes, and to promote the general welfare of the order known as the Mystic Order of the New Kaaba, and the period of its incorporation, which shall not exceed 30 years.

History: 1895, Act 18, Imd. Eff. Mar. 14, 1895;—CL 1897, 8131;—CL 1915, 10605;—CL 1929, 10813;—CL 1948, 457.664.

457.665 Filing articles of association with department of commerce; associates, and successors as body politic and corporate; powers; evidence of incorporation.

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Sec. 5. The articles of any such association shall be filed with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce; and thereupon, the persons so associating therein, their associates and successors, shall be a body politic and corporate, by the name expressed in their respective articles, and by their said name, they and their associates and successors shall have succession and shall be capable of suing and being sued, and shall have a common seal to be altered at pleasure, in such manner as the constitution or laws of the order shall prescribe. Such corporation may take, purchase, receive, hold and enjoy, real, personal and mixed property, not exceeding in amount $100,000.00; and may give, grant, mortgage, sell, lease, devise, and dispose of all or any part of such property at pleasure, but no property of said association, or of any of the subordinate temples of said association, shall be exempt from taxation. A copy of any such articles of association and certificate which is filed with and duly certified by the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce shall be prima facie evidence in all courts and tribunals of the due incorporation of such association.

History: 1895, Act 18, Imd. Eff. Mar. 14, 1895;—CL 1897, 8132;—CL 1915, 10606;—CL 1929, 10814;—CL 1948, 457.665;—Am. 1982, Act 113, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.666 Supreme temple; powers.

Sec. 6. The supreme temple shall have full and exclusive power to make, ordain, establish, enact, modify, revise, amend and repeal a constitution, laws, by-laws, rules and regulations for the government of the supreme, grand and subordinate temples of the order, and the governmental departments of such temples, not repugnant to the constitution and laws of the United States, or of this state; and to designate, elect, or appoint officers of the supreme temple, to designate grand or subordinate temples, under such name and styles as shall be prescribed in the constitution and laws of the order, and to designate the mode and time of electing or appointing of officers of such temples, and for their suspension and removal, and for the mode of accepting, organizing, instituting and chartering grand and subordinate temples of the order; and suspending or revoking any charter so granted. It shall have power to create and organize for itself, its grand and subordinate temples and to prescribe the powers and duties of each; and to create, manage and disburse, and provide for the creation, management and disbursement by grand and subordinate temples, of all funds collected by such temples.

History: 1895, Act 18, Imd. Eff. Mar. 14, 1895;—CL 1897, 8133;—CL 1915, 10607;—CL 1929, 10815;—CL 1948, 457.666.

457.667 Incorporation of additional associations; approval of supreme temple.

Sec. 7. No more than 1 association shall be incorporated under this act, as the supreme temple of the Mystic Order of the New Kaaba, and the articles of association of any grand or subordinate temple of said order shall not be accepted for record in the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, unless the same shall have endorsed thereon, the approval of the supreme temple of said order, by the supreme presiding officer and supreme secretary, duly attested by the seal of the supreme temple.

History: 1895, Act 18, Imd. Eff. Mar. 14, 1895;—CL 1897, 8134;—CL 1915, 10608;—CL 1929, 10816;—CL 1948, 457.667;—Am. 1982, Act 113, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

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LUTHERAN BUND
Act 179 of 1897

AN ACT to authorize the incorporation of the Lutheran Bund of the state of Michigan.

History: 1897, Act 179, Imd. Eff. May 29, 1897.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.671 Lutheran Bund; incorporation.

Sec. 1. That the Lutheran Bund of the state of Michigan, may be incorporated in pursuance of the provisions of this act.

History: 1897, Act 179, Imd. Eff. May 29, 1897;—CL 1897, 8135;—CL 1915, 10609;—CL 1929, 10817;—CL 1948, 457.671.

457.672 Incorporators; articles of association, execution, contents.

Sec. 2. Any 10 or more persons, residents, of this state, being members of said Lutheran Bund of the state of Michigan, including the president or vice-president, secretary and treasurer of said bund, may make and execute articles of association under their hands and seals, which articles of association shall be acknowledged before some officer authorized by law to take acknowledgments of deeds and shall set forth:

First, The names of the persons associating in the first instance and their places of residence;

Second, The corporate name by which such bund or association shall be known in the law;

Third, The names of the societies or associations associated together and at the time composing said bund;

Fourth, The object and purpose of such bund or association which shall be to promote the general welfare of the members of the bund, and to provide such visitation of the sick and afflicted members of the bund, and to provide such sick, death and funeral benefits for the members of the bund and their families, as may be from time to time provided by the constitution and by-laws of the bund;

Fifth, The period for which such bund is incorporated, which shall not exceed 30 years;

Sixth, The time and place where the next convention of such bund shall be held.

History: 1897, Act 179, Imd. Eff. May 29, 1897;—CL 1897, 8136;—Am. 1913, Act 66, Eff. Aug. 14, 1913;—CL 1915, 10610;—CL 1929, 10818;—CL 1948, 457.672.

457.673 Articles, constitution, by-laws and resolution; filing; body corporate, powers; taxation.

Sec. 3. Said articles of association, together with a copy of the constitution and by-laws of said bund and of the resolution of said bund authorizing the incorporation thereof, said copies being duly certified by the president and secretary of said bund, shall be filed with the secretary of state of the state of Michigan. Thereupon the persons who shall have signed such articles of association, their associates and fellow members composing said bund, shall be a body politic and corporate by the name expressed in such articles of association, capable of taking, holding and disposing of real and personal property, of suing and being sued, of having a common seal which may be altered or changed at their pleasure: Provided, That the value of such real estate shall not exceed 50,000 dollars, which shall be subject to general taxation.

History: 1897, Act 179, Imd. Eff. May 29, 1897;—CL 1897, 8137;—Am. 1913, Act 66, Eff. Aug. 14, 1913;—CL 1915, 10611;—CL 1929, 10819;—CL 1948, 457.673.

457.674 Membership; delegates; rules; officers, duties; constitution, by-laws, amendment.

Sec. 4. The bund shall have power to receive into membership societies, either incorporated or unincorporated, existing either within or without the state of Michigan, and individuals residing either within or without the state of Michigan; and the bund shall have power to receive into membership individuals who are not affiliated with any local society: Provided, however, That only societies shall participate in the selection of delegates to the convention and only delegates shall vote for officers and trustees. All members of each local society, which is a member of the bund, shall thereby ipso facto be members of the bund: Provided, Such members originally possess and continue to possess the necessary qualifications. Such corporation shall have full power to change its constitution and by-laws, and make, establish and change rules and regulations, none of which shall be repugnant to any law of this state, for regulating and governing the affairs and business of said corporation, and for the admission and expulsion of members and societies composing the same, and for the organization and admission of new or additional societies to membership in said bund, and to designate, elect or appoint from among the members of the societies forming and belonging to such corporation such officers, with such duties as the constitution and by-laws of such corporation may from time to time prescribe. The constitution and by-laws of said corporation may be amended from time to time in such

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manner as may be provided by such corporation.

History: 1897, Act 179, Imd. Eff. May 29, 1897;—CL 1897, 8138;—Am. 1913, Act 66, Eff. Aug. 14, 1913;—CL 1915, 10612;—CL 1929, 10820;—CL 1948, 457.674.

457.675 Reserve fund; loaning, investment and control.

Sec. 5. The bund shall have power to create a reserve fund for the purpose of providing against unforeseen contingencies and calamities, and to loan only to its own members upon real estate security or invest only in bonds issued by the state of Michigan or any political division or municipality thereof, such portions of said reserve fund as are not immediately required: Provided, however, The creation and amount of said reserve fund and directions regarding the investment of the same shall be under the exclusive control of the convention of delegates, although the convention of delegates may delegate under general directions the details of investment to such officers as they deem proper.

History: 1897, Act 179, Imd. Eff. May 29, 1897;—CL 1897, 8139;—Am. 1913, Act 66, Eff. Aug. 14, 1913;—CL 1915, 10613;—CL 1929, 10821;—CL 1948, 457.675.

457.676 Control of affairs.

Sec. 6. The affairs of such corporation shall be controlled by a convention of delegates who shall be appointed or elected by the respective societies forming such corporation in such manner as the constitution and by-laws of such corporation shall provide, and the number of delegates which each society is entitled to send to such conventions, and the time and place of meeting of such conventions shall be as provided by the constitution and by-laws of said corporation. Subject to the action of such convention of delegates, the management of the affairs of said corporation may be placed in the control of such officers, trustees or other persons as may be provided by the constitution and by-laws of said corporation.

History: Add. 1913, Act 66, Eff. Aug. 14, 1913;—CL 1915, 10614;—CL 1929, 10822;—CL 1948, 457.676.

457.677 Amendment of articles; procedure; evidence of existence.

Sec. 7. The articles of association may be amended by the vote of 2/3 of all the delegates present and voting at any convention of delegates; but the amendment shall only become effective when a copy thereof duly certified under the seal of the bund by the president and secretary to be a true copy of the amendment passed by the vote aforesaid, shall have been filed with the secretary of state of the state of Michigan. Copies of all amendments of the constitution and by-laws, duly certified under the seal of the bund by the president and secretary to have been made pursuant to law, shall be filed with the secretary of state of the state of Michigan before such amendments shall become effective. A copy of such articles of association and the amendments thereof, and a copy of the constitution and by-laws and resolution filed therewith, and all amendments of the constitution and by-laws, when duly certified to according to law under the seal of this state, shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts of this state of the existence and due incorporation of such corporation or bund, and of the contents and legal effects of said original instruments.

History: Add. 1913, Act 66, Eff. Aug. 14, 1913;—CL 1915, 10615;—CL 1929, 10823;—CL 1948, 457.677.

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ALLIANCE MARQUETTE
Act 71 of 1901

AN ACT to provide for the incorporation of the grand council and subordinate councils of the Alliance Marquette of the state of Michigan; and to impose certain duties upon the department of commerce.

History: 1901, Act 71, Imd. Eff. Apr. 18, 1901;—Am. 1982, Act 101, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.681 Alliance Marquette; incorporation of councils.

Sec. 1. That the grand council and subordinate councils, of the Alliance Marquette of the state of Michigan may be incorporated in pursuance of the provisions of this act.

History: 1901, Act 71, Imd. Eff. Apr. 18, 1901;—CL 1915, 10616;—CL 1929, 10824;—CL 1948, 457.681.

457.682 Grand council; incorporators; articles, execution, contents.

Sec. 2. The 5 principal officers of the grand council of the Alliance Marquette of the state of Michigan desiring to become incorporated may make and execute articles of association under their hands and seals, which said articles of association shall be acknowledged before some officer of the state having authority to take acknowledgments of deeds, and shall set forth:

First. The names of the persons associating in the first instance and their places of residence;

Second. The corporate name by which such association shall be known;

Third. The place of its principal business office;

Fourth. The period for which it is incorporated not exceeding 30 years;

Fifth. The object and purpose of the association which may be charitable, social, benevolent and literary, and neither such purpose nor the condition of membership in such association shall include any requirement from the members to discriminate against any person in respect to civil rights because of religious belief or affiliation.

History: 1901, Act 71, Imd. Eff. Apr. 18, 1901;—CL 1915, 10617;—CL 1929, 10825;—CL 1948, 457.682.

457.683 Grand council; French as official language; evidence.

Sec. 3. The French language may be adopted as the official language of such association, and all records and proceedings may be kept, and all meetings held in that language, and translations of any of the documents belonging to such association duly authenticated as direct translations of such document, or of the original documents translated from the French into the English language shall be received whenever necessary in all courts of law within this state.

History: 1901, Act 71, Imd. Eff. Apr. 18, 1901;—CL 1915, 10618;—CL 1929, 10826;—CL 1948, 457.683.

457.684 Filing copy of articles and grand council charter with department of commerce; signers of articles, associates, and successors as body politic and corporate; power and authority.

Sec. 4. A copy of said articles of association, together with a copy of the charter of said grand council shall be filed with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, and thereupon the persons who shall sign such articles of association, their associates and successors, shall be a body politic and corporate by the name expressed in such articles of association, and by that name they and their successors shall have succession and shall be persons in the law capable to purchase, take, receive, hold, and enjoy to them and their successors estate real and personal, of suing and being sued, and they and their successors may have a common seal which may be changed and altered at their pleasure: Provided, That the value of such real and personal estate shall not exceed the sum of $50,000.00, and that they and their successors shall have the authority and power to give, grant, sell, lease, demise, and dispose of said real and personal estate or part thereof at their will and pleasure, and the proceeds, rents, and incomes shall be devoted exclusively to the purposes of such association as mentioned and defined by the constitution thereof. Said association shall have the full power and authority to make and establish rules and regulations for the governing of all the affairs and business of said association according to the laws of this state and the United States, and to designate, elect, or appoint from its members such officers, under such name and styles as shall be in accordance with the constitution of the grand council.

History: 1901, Act 71, Imd. Eff. Apr. 18, 1901;—CL 1915, 10619;—CL 1929, 10827;—CL 1948, 457.684;—Am. 1982, Act 101, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

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457.685 Evidence of existence and incorporation; powers.

Sec. 5. A copy of the records of such articles of association, under the seal of the department of commerce, duly certified according to law, shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts of this state of the existence and due incorporation of such association. Such association when duly formed shall have the power to institute and charter subordinate councils and from time to time to make, ordain, constitute, and establish such constitution, general laws and bylaws as the grand council shall adjudge proper for the regulation and government of such subordinate councils not repugnant to the laws of this state.

History: 1901, Act 71, Imd. Eff. Apr. 18, 1901;—CL 1915, 10620;—CL 1929, 10828;—CL 1948, 457.685;—Am. 1982, Act 101, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.686 Subordinate council; incorporation; filing copy of articles with department of commerce; signers of articles, associates, and successors as body politic and corporate; powers.

Sec. 6. Any number of persons, not less than 10, residents of this state being members of the subordinate council of the Alliance Marquette of the state of Michigan, having been duly chartered by the grand council thereof, desiring to become incorporated may make and execute articles of association specifying and providing as in section 2 of this act, and file a copy of the same with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, and thereupon the persons who shall have signed said articles of association, their associates and successors shall be a body politic and corporate by the name expressed in such articles of association and provided by the grand council chartering such subordinate council, and by such name they and their successors shall have succession and shall be persons in the law capable to purchase, hold, enjoy, grant, sell, give, lease, and demise real and personal estate, of suing and being sued, and may have a common seal and change and alter the same at pleasure, and a certified copy of the record of such articles of association, under the seal of the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts of this state of the existence and due incorporation of such corporation: Provided, Said association shall be limited to the powers and provisions of section 3 of this act regarding real and personal estate, and the proceeds thereof under the rules and regulations of the grand council, and may elect or appoint from among its members such officers under such name and style as shall be in accordance with the constitution of said grand council.

History: 1901, Act 71, Imd. Eff. Apr. 18, 1901;—CL 1915, 10621;—CL 1929, 10829;—CL 1948, 457.686;—Am. 1982, Act 101, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.687 Location of business offices.

Sec. 7. The business office of the grand council shall be located in the city of Saginaw, county of Saginaw, and state of Michigan, and subordinate councils shall have their business office where said subordinate council shall have been chartered and organized, but the location of the business office of the grand council may be changed at any time by said grand council upon filing a written notice of such change in the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce within 20 days from the time of the change of such location.

History: 1901, Act 71, Imd. Eff. Apr. 18, 1901;—CL 1915, 10622;—CL 1929, 10830;—CL 1948, 457.687;—Am. 1982, Act 101, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.688 Insurance business; funeral benefits.

Sec. 8. Corporations in pursuance of this act shall not be considered as engaged in the business of life insurance, nor shall they be subject to the provisions of the statute relating to life insurance companies or associations: Provided, Nothing in this act contained shall permit the making of any contract of insurance except that societies organized hereunder may make provisions for the payment of a funeral benefit of not to exceed 200 dollars.

History: 1901, Act 71, Imd. Eff. Apr. 18, 1901;—CL 1915, 10623;—CL 1929, 10831;—CL 1948, 457.688.

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KALEVAN RITARIT
Act 80 of 1909

AN ACT to provide for the incorporation of lodges of the Kalevan Ritarit; and to impose certain duties upon the department of commerce.

History: 1909, Act 80, Eff. Sept. 1, 1909;—Am. 1982, Act 119, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.691 Kalevan Ritarit; incorporation.

Sec. 1. Any lodge of the Kalevan Ritarit organized within this state and having a charter from the Grand Lodge of the Kalevan Ritarit, may become incorporated under the provisions of this act.

History: 1909, Act 80, Eff. Sept. 1, 1909;—CL 1915, 10633;—CL 1929, 10832;—CL 1948, 457.691.

457.692 Incorporators; articles of association, execution, contents.

Sec. 2. Any 12 or more persons, residents of this state, being members in good standing of a lodge of the Kalevan Ritarit, having competent authority from the grand lodge of the order, desirous of becoming incorporated, may make and execute articles of association, under their hands and seals, which articles of association shall be acknowledged before some officer authorized by law to take acknowledgments of deeds, and shall set forth:

First, The names of the persons associating in the first instance, and their places of residence;

Second, The corporate name by which such association shall be known in law, and the place of its business office;

Third, The object and purpose of such association shall be to promote the general welfare of the Kalevan Ritarit fraternity during the period for which it is incorporated, not exceeding 30 years.

History: 1909, Act 80, Eff. Sept. 1, 1909;—CL 1915, 10634;—CL 1929, 10833;—CL 1948, 457.692.

457.693 Filing copy of articles of association and charter with department of commerce; signers of articles, associates, and successors as body politic and corporate; power and authority.

Sec. 3. A copy of said articles of association, together with a copy of the charter of the Grand Lodge of Kalevan Ritarit, shall be filed with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, and thereupon the persons who have signed such articles of association, their associates and successors shall be a body politic and corporate, by the name expressed in such articles of association, and by that name they and their successors shall have succession, and shall be persons in the law, capable to purchase, take, receive, hold, and enjoy to them and their successors, estate, real, personal and mixed, of using and being used, and to have a common seal which may be altered or changed at their pleasure: Provided, That the value of such real, personal, and mixed estate shall not exceed the sum of $50,000.00. They and their successors shall have power and authority to give, grant, bargain, sell, lease, release, demise, and dispose of said real, personal, and mixed estate or any part thereof at their will and pleasure, and the proceeds, rents, gains, profits, and income shall be devoted to the protection and aid of its members and their families and to no other purpose.

History: 1909, Act 80, Eff. Sept. 1, 1909;—CL 1915, 10635;—CL 1929, 10834;—CL 1948, 457.693;—Am. 1982, Act 119, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.694 Rules and by-laws; officers.

Sec. 4. Every corporation organized under and in pursuance of this act shall have full power and authority to make and establish rules, regulations and by-laws for regulating and governing all the affairs and business of said corporation, not repugnant to nor inconsistent with the constitution, rules, regulations and edicts of the grand lodge of the order, or the constitution and laws of this state or of the United States, and may elect and appoint from its members such officers under such name and style as shall be in accordance with the constitution of the grand lodge of the order.

History: 1909, Act 80, Eff. Sept. 1, 1909;—CL 1915, 10636;—CL 1929, 10835;—CL 1948, 457.694.

457.695 Evidence of existence and incorporation.

Sec. 5. A copy of the record of such articles of association under the seal of the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, duly certified according to law, shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts in this state of the existence and due incorporation of such corporation.

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History: 1909, Act 80, Eff. Sept. 1, 1909;—CL 1915, 10637;—CL 1929, 10836;—CL 1948, 457.695;—Am. 1982, Act 119, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

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ESKIMOS
Act 55 of 1917

AN ACT to authorize the incorporation of grand and subordinate councils of the Eskimos; and to impose certain duties upon the department of commerce.

History: 1917, Act 55, Eff. Aug. 10, 1917;—Am. 1982, Act 121, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.701 Eskimos; incorporation of councils.

Sec. 1. The grand council and subordinate councils of the Eskimos may be incorporated in pursuance of the provisions of this act.

History: 1917, Act 55, Eff. Aug. 10, 1917;—CL 1929, 10837;—CL 1948, 457.701.

457.702 Grand council; incorporators; articles, execution, contents.

Sec. 2. The 5 principal officers of the grand council of the Eskimos of the state of Michigan desiring to become incorporated, may make and execute articles of association under their hands and seal, which said articles of association shall be acknowledged before some officer of the state having authority to take acknowledgments of deeds, and shall set forth:

First, The names of the persons associated in the first instance, and their place of residence;

Second, The corporate name by which such association shall be known;

Third, The place of its principal business office;

Fourth, The period for which it is incorporated, not exceeding 30 years;

Fifth, The object and purposes of the association, which shall be to protect and aid its members and their families, to promote the general welfare and the social and moral condition of its members, but neither such purposes nor condition of membership in such association shall include any requirements from the members to discriminate against any person in respect to civil rights because of religious belief or affiliation.

History: 1917, Act 55, Eff. Aug. 10, 1917;—CL 1929, 10838;—CL 1948, 457.702.

457.703 Filing copy of articles and constitution with department of commerce; signers of articles, associates, and successors as body corporate and politic; powers.

Sec. 3. A copy of said articles of association together with a copy of the constitution of said association shall be filed with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, and thereupon the persons who shall have signed said articles of association, their associates and successors, shall be a body corporate and politic, and known in the law and in fact by the name expressed in such articles of association, and by that name they and their successors shall have succession, and shall be a person in the law, capable of purchasing, taking, receiving, owning, and enjoying, through them and their successors, estates real and personal, of suing and being sued, and to have a common seal which may be changed or altered at their pleasure, and they and their successors shall have power to give, grant, sell, demise, and dispose of such real and personal estate, or part thereof, at their will and pleasure, and the proceeds, rents, and income shall be devoted exclusively to the purposes of such association, as mentioned and defined by the constitution thereof.

History: 1917, Act 55, Eff. Aug. 10, 1917;—CL 1929, 10839;—CL 1948, 457.703;—Am. 1982, Act 121, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.704 Grand council; rules; officers.

Sec. 4. Said association shall have full power and authority to make and establish rules and regulations for the governing of all the affairs and business of said association, according to the laws of this state and the United States, and to designate, elect or appoint from its members such officers, under such names and styles as shall be in accordance with the constitution of the grand council.

History: 1917, Act 55, Eff. Aug. 10, 1917;—CL 1929, 10840;—CL 1948, 457.704.

457.705 Evidence of existence and incorporation; powers.

Sec. 5. A copy of the records of such articles of association under seal of the department of commerce, duly certified according to law, shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts of this state of the existence and due incorporation of such association; such association, when duly formed, shall have the power to institute and charter subordinate councils, and from time to time to make, ordain, constitute and establish such constitution, general laws, and bylaws as the grand council shall adjudge proper for the organization and government of such subordinate councils not repugnant to the laws of this state.

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History: 1917, Act 55, Eff. Aug. 10, 1917;—CL 1929, 10841;—CL 1948, 457.705;—Am. 1982, Act 121, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.706 Subordinate council; incorporation; limitations.

Sec. 6. Any number of persons, not less than 10, residents of this state, being members of a subordinate council of the Eskimos of the state of Michigan, having been duly chartered by the grand council thereof, desiring to become incorporated, may make and execute articles of association, specifying and providing as in section 2 of this act, and file a copy of the same with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, and thereupon, the persons who shall have signed such articles of association, their associates and successors shall be a body politic and corporate, known by the name expressed in said articles of association, and provided by the grand council chartering such subordinate council, and by such name they and their associates shall have succession, and shall be persons in the law capable to purchase, give, lease, and demise real and personal estate, of suing and being sued, and may have a common seal, and may change and alter the same at their pleasure; and a certified copy of such articles of association, under the seal of the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts in this state of the existence and due incorporation of such association: Provided, That said association shall be limited to the powers and provisions of section 3 of this act, regarding real and personal estate and the proceeds thereof under the rules and regulations of the grand council, and may elect or appoint from among its members such officers under such name and style as shall be in accordance with the constitution of such grand council.

History: 1917, Act 55, Eff. Aug. 10, 1917;—CL 1929, 10842;—CL 1948, 457.706;—Am. 1982, Act 121, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.707 Business offices; change in location; notice.

Sec. 7. The business office of the grand council shall be located in the village of L'Anse, county of Baraga, and state of Michigan, and subordinate councils shall have their business office where said subordinate council shall have been chartered and organized, and the location of the business office of the grand council may be changed at any time by said grand council, upon filing a written notice of such change in the office of the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce within 20 days from the time of the change from such location.

History: 1917, Act 55, Eff. Aug. 10, 1917;—CL 1929, 10843;—CL 1948, 457.707;—Am. 1982, Act 121, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.708 Insurance business; funeral benefits.

Sec. 8. Corporations in pursuance of this act shall not be considered as engaged in the business of life insurance, nor shall they be subject to the provisions of the statute relating to life insurance companies or associations: Provided, Nothing in this act contained shall permit the making of any contract of insurance except that associations hereunder may make provisions for the payment of a funeral benefit not to exceed 200 dollars.

History: 1917, Act 55, Eff. Aug. 10, 1917;—CL 1929, 10844;—CL 1948, 457.708.

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