

an equal number of votes, the board of directors shall designate: the new board of directors shall meet at such place in this state, as the preceding board of directors shall have selected, on the first Monday in May, annually, at which time the duties of their office shall commence, and shall forthwith elect, from their own body, a president and vice-president, and shall appoint a secretary and treasurer, who shall be members of the corporation. Not less than six directors shall constitute a quorum; and all the officers, including the directors, shall continue in office until others are legally elected and accept their appointment.

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5. *And be it enacted*, That so much of the income or disposable funds of the said corporation, as the board of directors shall deem proper, conformably to the constitution and by-laws of the same, shall be applied to the relief and support of the widows and orphan children of deceased members thereof, and of such other relatives as shall be designated by the said constitution or by-laws as objects of their care, and in such manner and to such extent as is thereby authorised.

Application of funds.

6. *And be it enacted*, That the treasurer shall give bond for the faithful discharge of the duties of his office, in such sum as the directors shall deem reasonable; he shall render an account of all his transactions to the board of directors, by whom the same shall be examined and settled at the annual meeting on the first Monday of May aforesaid; and he shall deliver all books and property, and pay all monies in his hands to his successors in office when required.

Treasurer shall give bond, &c.

7. *And be it enacted*, That the mode of convening special meetings of the board of directors may be fixed by the by-laws, and no alterations or amendments in the constitution or by-laws shall be made unless previously proposed at the annual meeting of the directors, and on being approved by two thirds of the members present, the same shall be submitted to the members of the corporation, and if approved by two thirds of the said members, the said alterations and amendments, or any of them, shall at the next annual meeting be adopted and become a part of the constitution and by-laws aforesaid.

Special meetings—alteration of constitution.

8. *And be it enacted*, That the first board of directors shall be chosen as before provided on the first Monday of October next, and the present acting officers of the institution, including the board of directors, shall discharge the functions of their respective offices until the first Monday of May in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and twenty four, and until they shall be succeeded by others, elected according to the provisions of this act.

Present officers.

9. *And be it enacted*, That nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to prevent the repeal of this act whenever the legislature of this state may deem proper so to do.

Proviso.

CHAPTER 158.

An act to incorporate the Jefferson Association of Baltimore.

Passed Feb. 18, 1823.
Preamble.

WHEREAS Benjamin Bond, Daniel Metzger, Ephraim Smith, Joseph Sumwalt, Thomas Perkins and others, have formed themselves into a society for the laudable purpose of affording relief to each other, and their respective families, in the event of sickness, distress, and death, and have prayed an act of incorporation, that they may better execute their intentions; and the legislature being desirous of promoting such institutions, therefore,

Section 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Benjamin Bond, Daniel Metzger, Ephraim Smith, Joseph Sumwalt, Thomas Perkins, and others, that now are, or may hereafter become

Incorporation.