

Treas., and the other officers and members of Freedom Lodge, number one hundred and twelve, of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, located at Freedom, in Carroll county, and their successors, be and they are hereby declared to be a community, corporation and body politic, by the name, style and title of Freedom Lodge, number one hundred and twelve, of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, and by that name they and their successors shall have perpetual succession, and shall and may, at all times hereafter, be capable in law to have, purchase, receive, possess, enjoy and retain, to them and their successors, lands, tenements, rents, annuities, bank and stocks, pensions and other hereditaments in fee simple or for terms of years, life, lives or otherwise, and also goods, chattels or effects of what nature, quality or kind soever, by the gift, bargain, sale, devise or bequest of any person or persons, bodies corporate or politic capable of making the same, and the same or any part thereof at their pleasure to grant, alien, lease, transfer or dispose of in such manner as they may judge most conducive to the benevolent and charitable purposes of said fraternity, *provided, always,* the said corporation or body politic shall not any time hold or possess property, real, personal or mixed, exceeding in value the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars.

Provisos.

Sec. 2. *And be it enacted,* That the said corporation and their successors, by the name, style and title aforesaid, shall have power to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, answer and be answered unto, defend and be defended, in all or any courts of justice, and before any or all judges, officers or persons whatsoever, in all and singular actions, matters or demands whatsoever.

Capable in law to sue and be sued.

Sec. 3. *And be it enacted,* That the said corporation and their successors shall have a common seal for their use, and the same at their will and pleasure to change, alter and make anew, from time to time, as they may think best, and shall in general have and exercise all such rights, privileges and immunities as are incident or necessary to the corporation herein constituted to enable it duly and fully to execute all things touching and

Shall have and use a common seal.