

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the name of the "Supreme Council of United Craftsmen of Dorchester County," a corporation heretofore incorporated under the General Laws of this State, be and the same is hereby changed to that of the "Supreme Council of United Craftsmen" by dropping the words "of Dorchester County" from the original corporate name; by such last mentioned name said corporation shall be known and have perpetual succession, and be capable in law to acquire and hold, and in anywise dispose of property, and to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in any court whatever, and to have and use a common seal, and alter the same at its pleasure, and shall generally do, execute and enforce all and singular such acts, contracts, matters and things as may be necessary or proper to carry into effect the provisions of this Act, or to protect the interests and promote the objects and designs of this corporation.

Powers given same.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That the powers, rights, privileges and franchises possessed by it under its certificate of incorporation, and under Article 23 of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland, are hereby ratified and confirmed, except wherein their provisions are in conflict with the provisions of this Act, in which case the powers, rights, privileges, franchises and limitations contained in this Act shall, for the purposes of this corporation supersede such conflicting provisions of the Code and of said charter. And in addition to the powers, rights, privileges and franchises possessed by it under its certificate of incorporation, and under said Article 23 of the Code, said corporation shall have and possess the rights, privileges and franchises particularly mentioned in this Act; and the said certificate of incorporation shall be altered and amended so as to conform to the provisions of this Act.

Its rights and franchises confirmed.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted,* That this corporation is hereby declared to be what is known as a fraternal beneficial order or association, and as such shall be formed, organized and carried on for the sole benefit of its members and their beneficiaries, and not for profit. It shall be a lodge system, with ritualistic form of work and representative form of government, and in order to fully and effectually carry out the purposes and protect the interests for which it is incorporated it shall have the power to ordain, establish and put in execution a constitution and such laws, rules and regulations, not in conflict with its charter and the laws of this State, as shall seem necessary and proper for its organization, maintenance and gov-

A fraternal beneficial order.