

lite Sisters of Baltimore," for works of piety, charity and usefulness, and for the education of young females; which association, from its nature and objects, as well as its positive regulations, must always be composed of unmarried women: that for the purposes of their institution, and as a place of residence for themselves and their successors, they have purchased a lot of ground situate on the west side of Aisquith street, in the city of Baltimore, on which suitable buildings have been erected for their residence, and for the uses of their school: that as the individuals who compose their association change by deaths and new admissions, they cannot hold their estate in their own names, and conduct the business of the association without great embarrassments; for which inconveniencies they are advised a proper and adequate remedy cannot be afforded, except by an act of the general assembly of Maryland, constituting them a body corporate, with a perpetual succession, and with such powers and privileges for taking, holding and disposing of property, as may be deemed expedient. *And Whereas*, the facts set forth in the said petition appear to be true, and the prayer thereof is reasonable and proper: therefore,

Incorporation.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland;* That the said Mary Ann Mudd, Jane Hammersley, Ann T. Matthews, Mary Furry, Mary Ann Johnson, Matilda Boarman, Elizabeth H. Boarman, Eleanor Hammersley, Araminta Edelen, Mary Bradford, Teresa Beavans, Rebecca Mudd, Ann Catharine Ford, Mary Carbery, Mary Llewellyn, Elizabeth Smith, Juliana Sewall, Catharine M. Jemison, Mary S. Smith, Olivia Neale, Ann Bradburn, Bridget Launer, and Sarah Whelen, and those who may hereafter become members of the said association, and their successors, shall be and hereby are constituted a body corporate by the name and style of "The Carmelite Sisters of Baltimore," with perpetual succession; and by that name may sue and be sued, may have and use a common seal; may take, hold and use any real or chattel estate, by devise or otherwise, in fee simple or for any less estate, and the same or any part thereof may lease, sell and convey by deed or otherwise; with full power and authority to collect and receive all rents and debts which may become due and owing to the said association, by suit or otherwise, as any person might lawfully do: *Provided always*, That the said corporation shall not at any one time hold, use, possess and enjoy, any estate real or personal, beyond or exceeding in value, in the whole, the sum of one hundred thousand dollars.